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April 14, 2003

To the Honorable, the Common Council

Dear Members:

Re: Common Council File 021396

Attached are written objections to the renewal with a 10-day suspension based upon police report of the Class "B" Tavern license application of Merry Jane K. Kusz for the premises at 5100 W. Howard Ave. ("Merry's") in the 11th Aldermanic District.

This matter will be heard by the full Council at its April 15, 2003 meeting. Pursuant to City Ordinances, a roll call vote will be taken to confirm that all members have read the attached objections.

Respectfully,


Fredrick G. Gordon, Acting Chair
Utilities and Licenses Committee

cc: All Council Members
City Attorney's Office
Common Council/City Clerk – License Division
Milwaukee Police Department – License Investigation
CCF 021396



This letter is coming to you NOT as an appeal but as factual. Seeing I didn't get a fair hearing from the license board because all of them refused to view the tape I had proving that in fact the police report was embellished and false. The review was unfair and biased in that the refusal to view evidence was ignored and the minds of all of the board members were finalized regardless of what proof I had to offer. This, in my opinion is not the way to conduct a fair hearing. Their minds were already made up before I appeared in front of them. In closing my business for 10 days will not harm the customers or myself, in fact closing will take revenue away from the State of Wisconsin in use taxes, and Expo taxes, the IRS from my income and the beer and liquor distributors and my employees.

We do not call the police to keep our business under control, we do that ourselves. We call the police to issue disorderly conduct tickets to the people that act out in public, sending the message to other customers that this behavior in our bar will not be tolerated. My business does not solicit or entice any outward display of public violence. The people committing such behavior should be blamed, not the location or surroundings. The severity and frequency is not as high as other bars in business. We have always called police for help and they treat us as though it is our fault. I am also having trouble trying to figure out the selective enforcement exhibited by the Milwaukee Police Department. I can address each and every one of the citation issued and prove that facts were embellished and fabricated to make a better case against me. Also using the power of a badge to intentionally do harm to a business in the city is very unsettling to me. Malice should not be considered in the job of a public servant. In time the truth will be told and maybe then I will be able to recoup my losses due to this suspension. I will not be attending this meeting due to a previous commitment I have to plan surgery.

Sincerely
Merry Jane Kusz
President Merry J's Inc