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RONALU D. LEONHARDT CITY CLERK

City Clerk's Office Attention: Linda Elmer 200 E. Wells Street Room 205 Milwaukee, WI 53202

Dear Linda,

We are writing regarding issues with Roots Restaurant located at 1818 N. Hubbard Street, Milwaukee WI 53212 which opened in February 2004.

We were told at the time we purchased our condo back in 2001 that there were plans to build a café/deli restaurant behind our building. This is the building currently occupied by Roots. We were concerned about the potential noise factor being that the buildings were going to be so close. We were assured (prior to building) that the plans included a business that would operate between the hours of 11am and 10pm.

Much to our surprise Roots Restaurant went in. The restaurant takes up 2 floors of the building. The first floor is more elegant dinning while the lower level serves a more reasonably priced menu. Both levels have out door patio seating.

Since they have been open we have experienced the following issues:

- Noisy patrons out on the patios past 11pm.
- Music playing so loud that you can hear it in our condo with the window closed.
- Patrons leaving at bar closing time talking, laughing and yelling behind our condo, which is now used as a thoroughfare.
- Live music on Saturday nights which play in a facility not conducive for live music. There have been many nights we can actually sing the songs and the windows are closed.
- Broke glass bottles and beer cans on the public stairway adjacent to building.
- Garbage and litter behind our complex.

The lower level of the restaurant has turned into a Night Club which has a DJ spinning records Wednesday through Friday till bar closing time. On Saturdays they have live music.

We have attempted to work out these issues with the owners of both the restaurant and building to no avail.

We have resorted to contacting the Milwaukee Police Department every time the noise becomes unbearable. We have insisted that citations be issued and a tavern report be filed. Below is a list of dates this year alone that we have had to contact either the owners or the police.

Jan 1 st	Feb 4 th	Mar 4 th	Apr 6 th
Jan11th	Feb 8 th		Apr 7 th
Jan 18 th	Feb 9 th		Apr 14 th
Jan 19 th	Feb 25 th		Apr 20 th
			Apr 29 th

As you can see this is quite disturbing to us and others in our condominium complex. Not to mention that this is a residential neighborhood not an entertainment district and we were residents long before the restaurant was built.

We are hard working citizens that have jobs that start early in the morning. Functioning throughout the day can become difficult when you have not had a descent nights sleep.

We are asking that you consider revoking Roots license to provide entertainment. Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns you may have.

Sincerely

Manuel and Kathy Torres

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My commission repires 4/11/10