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FW: Liquor License Application No. LL100154 and BL8963 1180 Third Avenue

From: Ben Levine [mailto:*Redacted*]**Sent:** Friday, October 05, 2018 2:18 PM**To:** cityclerk**Subject:** Liquor License Application No. LL100154 and BL8963 1180 Third Avenue

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have grave concerns about the application to open a bar at 1180 Third Avenue. Irregardless of the preposterous notion of combining a bar with a beauty salon, the neighbourhood already faces enough challenges and doesn't need to deal with the prospect of the public drunkenness that will inevitably occur up and down Third Avenue if this license is approved. I have owned and occupied a business in the 1100 block of Third Avenue since 2006,. When the PG Hotel was shut down, and with it the bar and liquor store, public drunkenness, with all its attendant problems, was significantly reduced in the downtown core. This was an extremely positive development. It is well known the challenges downtown faces, and the continual hand-wringing that takes place about how to revitalise it. The 1100 blk of Third already has a needle exchange, and constant drug dealing, which the residents of the block, and others who use the area, must endure. To add in a bar on the same street would compound the problem. Property values would surely fall, and other, more attractive business enterprises would leave. Further investment in the area would surely decline. Having a bar open from 10 am to 11 pm 7 days a week in that location is a terrible idea. I trust the City will act to represent the legitimate concerns of all the residents of this area by refusing the application.

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Yours truly,

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