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| OBJECTION TO GRANTING OF RESTAURANT LIQUOR LICENCE TO PABLO EGGS GO BAR ( PTY)LTD IN RESPECT OF PABLO EGGS GO BAR – MELVILLE SITUATED AT SHOPS 1 & 2 7th STREET CORNER 1st AVENUE MELVILLE JOHANNESBURG NO THE ERF NUMBERS STATED |
| **Application Reference number: GLB7000006704** |

LODGED BY: -

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1. The applicant has applied for a restaurant liquor licence in respect of Pablo Eggs Go Bar (PTY) LTD at the corner of 1st Avenue and 7th Street Melville under application reference number GLB7000006704. No specific address provided.
2. The Melville Residents’ Association (“MRA“) has had sight of the application papers made available by the Johannesburg Regional Office of the Gauteng Liquor Board and filed by the applicant for the restaurant liquor licence, Pablo Eggs Go Bar (PTY)LTD in terms of section 23 of the Gauteng Liquor Act 2 of 2003. Certain aspects relating to this application are of particular concern to the association and have led to it filing this objection.
3. There is a letter of intent to confirm Pablo Eggs Go Bar (PTY) LTD, registration number 2016/005770/07 has the right to occupy the above mentioned premises for the purpose of conducting a restaurant liquor licence. It is noted that there is no lease attached. Accordingly there is no proof that the applicant is in lawful occupation of the premises, or will be entitled to lawful occupation.
4. While Melville has two strip business/commercial areas on 7th Street leading into 4th Avenue and Main Road, Melville, it is a primarily residential area. The business/commercial strips were created to allow for the establishment of retail outlets and facilities to serve the Melville residential area. As a consequence of this residentially-based layout, the business/commercial strips are very narrow, typically consisting of a depth of only one erf from the Main Road, 7th Street and 4th Avenue. . There is a concern that the type of activity which is likely to take place in and around the applicant’s premises should it obtain a liquor licence, will raise noise levels with a potentially negative impact on the quality of life enjoyed by residents who live within earshot of the premises.
5. A further concern is the oversaturation of restaurants in 7th street between 1st Avenue and 3rd Avenue, serving liquor at meals and in some instances separately at the bar. Refer Poppy’s Restaurant, Hell’s Kitchen, Nuno’s ( Xai Xai ) and Santa Muerte.
6. Parking is already a major problem and with the addition of Pablo Egg s Go Bar Restaurant will further exacerbate the problem and will lead to parking moving further into residential areas and possibly lead to further illegal car guards and traffic congestion.
7. The Melville Residents’ Association is of the view that no live music should be directed including background music should be directed from the applicant’s proposed premises into the area surrounding them, nor should there be any live performances of any kind in the premises. Disc jockeys and any other form of loud music provided for the purpose of entertainment, including dancing, must be strictly prohibited.
8. The application makes no mention of the opening and closing hours of the business. The association is of the view that because of the location of the premises in a predominantly residential area, the licence should provide for restricted times during which liquor may be sold. In particular, from Monday to Thursday, the applicant should be permitted to sell liquor only to 10 pm and on Friday to Sunday only to 22.00 pm
9. As far as the provisions of section 30 (3) of the Act are concerned, as has been pointed out in the application, there are places of worship, educational institutions, similar licensed premises and public transport facilities within 500m of the applicant’s premises. The suggested conditions should be included to minimize the potential for any adverse consequences to arise should the application for a restaurant liquor licence be granted.
10. Another cause for concern is the fact that section 104 of the Gauteng Liquor Act, 2003 permits a liquor licence, once granted, to be transferred to another licensee without any notice to the community. This is unacceptable to the association as no opportunity is provided to the association and the community to object to the proposed transferee or to the transfer in those instances in which there have been problems caused by the activities of the business which have impacted negatively on the surrounding neighbourhood. Unless it is provided as a condition to the grant of the liquor licence that the liquor licence is not transferable to another person and that any change in the current shareholding of the applicant will result in the immediate rescission of the licence, no protection will be afforded to the community to prevent a transfer of ownership and control without its knowledge and the community will have no opportunity to object and raise its concerns.
11. Failing the concerns raised being dealt with by the inclusion of suitable conditions attaching to the grant of the liquor licence, the association are of the respectful view that the application for a pub liquor licence should be refused.

Signed: --------------------------------------

Date:

Full names of Objector:

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