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To: Caitlin Anderson (Director of Liquor Control)
From: Lieutenant Brendan Borer
RE: Summary Suspension Request for NOA Bar 196 Crown St
Date: 8-31-24

Dear Ms. Anderson:

On behalf of Chief Karl Jacobson, I am respectfully requesting a “summary suspension” of the Restaurant Liquor license of “NOA By September in Bangkok”, located at 196 Crown St, New Haven, CT. Reference permit / credential # LIR.0020916. The liquor permit was issued/effective date of July 22, 2024. This establishment poses an immediate danger to its customers, the commercial businesses that it adjoins, pedestrians, and vehicular traffic.

On August 31st at 0059 hours, New Haven Police responded to this establishment for a fight that resulted in gun shots being fired. Officers responded to the scene and located two 9mm shell casings near the bar counter. Our initial police reports indicate that witnesses observed a fight break out inside the bar area and suddenly shots were fired. When the shots were fired, two female patrons reported to police that they sustained graze wounds. The victims were offered medical attention on scene. One victim was transported to the hospital and the second victim declined further treatment. This incident was documented under case number 24-36007)

New Haven Detectives responded to the scene and obtained video from NOA. In the video, you can clearly see a fight break out. During the fight, two male patrons are observed retrieving firearms directly from their front waistband and manipulate the firearm to place a round in the chamber. These individuals then re-enter the crowd. A quick moment later, shots were fired. On video, you can see the numerous patrons immediately evacuate the bar.

In addition to this latest incident, there was a stabbing incident inside the location on November 11, 2023. In response to this, Liquor Agent Michael Kula and I visited NOA to have a security meeting (November 15th, 2023). During this visit, we discussed improved security measures for the business. One request was to conduct

pat downs of patrons to prevent weapons from entering the business. This stabbing incident was documented under NHPD case number 23-45662 for reference.

I request a summary suspension to be served on NOA. This is to ensure that the business can improve the security and safety conditions at their establishment. I also request that they show proof of improved security measures prior to re-opening. The business has been educated on improved security measures previously. This recent shooting incident could have resulted in loss of life or serious injuries. We are extremely fortunate that we did not have that outcome.

If you need further information or assistance, do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

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