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VIA EMAIL (TYoung@hapeville.org)

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RE: 2019 City of Hapeville Alcoholic Beverage License Applications (Change of Ownership) of Kimpton Hotel & Restaurant Group, LLC ("Kimpton") d/b/a Kimpton Hotel & Restaurant Group – Two Porsche Drive, Hapeville, GA 30354 (the "Hotel")

Dear Mr. Young:

Thank you for arranging our phone call this afternoon with you, Ms. Grigg-Epps and Ms. Patel. This firm represents the owner ("Acron") of the Hotel. We are assisting Kimpton Hotel & Restaurant Group, LLC with regard to its above referenced alcoholic beverage license applications (the "Applications"). This letter is a request that:

1. The Mayor and City Council of the City of Hapeville consider the Applications at their Tuesday, January 8, 2019 meeting; and
2. At such meeting, vote to approve the Applications, subject to Kimpton causing to be furnished to Ms. Griggs-Epps, a copy of the legal advertisements of the Applications in and affidavits from the South Metro Neighbor newspaper as provided by City of Hapeville Code of Ordinances Section 5-1-4 (11).

The Hotel is undergoing a change of management company. As a result, Kimpton, the new hotel management company, must obtain alcoholic beverage licenses for the Hotel from the City of Hapeville and the Georgia Department of Revenue. We note that ownership of the Hotel is not changing and that the current Hotel general manager, Mike Sutter, will continue to serve as general manager. To facilitate an orderly transition of the alcoholic beverage service at the Hotel between the current hotel management company and Kimpton, Kimpton needs City of Hapeville alcohol licenses in hand not later than the morning of Friday, January 18, 2019.

As part of the City of Hapeville alcohol licensing process, a legal advertisement is required in the South Metro Neighbor. The advertisement simply identifies the alcohol license application, the identity of the hotel owner and the identity of the general manager. The advertisement does NOT identify a date of consideration of the Applications or that the mayor and council are considering the Applications. The City of Hapeville Code of Ordinances does require that the advertisement run prior to the mayor and city council's consideration of the Applications.

In consultation with Ms. Griggs-Epps in early December, we confirmed that the Applications must be filed with her not later than December 21 in order for the mayor and city council to consider the Applications on January 8, 2019. The Applications were filed with Ms.

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Griggs-Epps on December 21. However, it appears that due to the Christmas and New Year's holidays, the South Metro Neighbor advertisements are scheduled for January 9 and January 16, 2019 and not before.

We note that when the Hotel opened in Fall 2017, the mayor and city council considered the current management company's alcohol license applications in this same manner, i.e., the mayor and city council considered the applications prior to the legal advertisements running and the alcohol licenses were not issued until subsequent proof of the advertisements were submitted to the city clerk, Ms. Elkins. By this letter, Acron makes this same request.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

SARD & LEFF, LLC



Michael Sard

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