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New York State Liquor Authority Chairman Vincent Bradley, Esq. Commissioner Greeley T. Ford 80 S. Swan Street, 9th Floor Albany, New York • 12210-8002

New York State Liquor Authority, Zone 1 Michael Jones, Deputy Chief Executive Officer Franklin Englander, Supervising BCI, Enforcement 317 Lenox Ave. New York, NY 10027

RE: Vapor Lounge #1270813

Dear Chairman Bradley:

We are writing to inform you of a disturbing incident that occurred at the Vapor Lounge, located at 3758 East Tremont Avenue, Bronx, New York 10465, State Liquor Authority License #1270813. According to police reports, on March 7, 2018 at 2:30 a.m., an altercation occurred within the establishment that resulted in an individual being stabbed and beaten unconscious. Neighbors expressed concerns about this violent incident to our offices. We contacted Community Board #10, whose members plan to urge the New York State Liquor Authority to take action against the establishment.

Recent incidents at Vapor Lounge, which has become a troublesome nightlife location within our district, is of concern to the Throggs Neck community and our offices. Over the past year due to violent incidents and other quality of life concerns, community opposition has been galvanized by this establishment's lack of compliance with law and order.

This year alone, Vapor Lounge has been the host to one registered assault in January and hosted a lewd unlicensed event during the Super Bowl. There have also been community complaints

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regarding violence outside the establishment allegedly committed by patrons within. In 2016, the lounge was fined \$10,000 for unlicensed security personal and several assault incidents.

The most recent violent incident at Vapor Lounge, demands the need for consistent monitoring and enforcement at this location. We respectfully request your agency take all measures to restrict their operation and suspend their license upon a formal investigation. This coordinated action by your office would be a positive development for the Throggs Neck community and deeply appreciated by our offices.

By way of this correspondence, we urge your consideration of these matters as you move forward with reviewing actions against Vapor Lounge. Thank you for your attention to this matter. Should you require any additional information, please contact Jose Rodriguez at Senator Klein's District Office at (718) 822-2049, John Collazi at Assemblyman Benedetto's office at (718)-892-2235.

Sincerely,

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