

Mr. Fred Moosally
Director
District of Columbia Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration
2000 14th Street Northwest, S400
Washington, DC 20009

April 19, 2016

Dear Director Moosally,

The Brookland Neighborhood Civic Association (BNCA) strongly supports San Antonio Bar and Grill's application for a zoning variance that will allow the sale of food and alcoholic beverages from 11 am to 10 pm in the recently approved outdoor seating in front of the restaurant.

San Antonio Bar and Grill, owned and managed by Jaime Vargas, provides the Brookland community with a family-friendly environment that serves quality food and drinks at a reasonable price. Through the years, San Antonio has woven itself further into the Brookland community, serving as a gathering spot for after-work happy hours, small community meetings, and as the host to many post-BNCA event social gatherings.

As we wrote to you in May of 2014, BNCA views the addition of outdoor seating space for San Antonio Bar and Grill as a major benefit to 12th Street and the surrounding community, further advancing the principles outlined in the community's 2007 Small Area Plan. The approval of food and beverage service is the logical next step.

Given the restaurant's location, Mr. Vargas' history of respect for the Brookland community, his demonstrated interest in working with BNCA and other community groups for this project, and the success of Menomale restaurant's similar outdoor seating on 12th Street last year, we are confident that this project will pose a minimal disturbance to the immediate surroundings while enhancing the restaurant and streetscape for many years to come.

Thank you for your consideration of our support for San Antonio Bar and Grill.

Sincerely,

Anita Hairston
President
Brookland Neighborhood Civic Association