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The Honorable Phil Mendelson Chair Council of the District of Columbia 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 506 Washington, D.C. 20004

## Dear Chairman Mendelson:

Today, I am transmitting to the Council of the District of Columbia (Council) for its consideration and enactment the "2018 All-Star Game and World Cup Tournament Emergency Amendment Act of 2018" and the "2018 All-Star Game and World Cup Tournament Temporary Amendment Act of 2018." Please find enclosed a copy of the emergency and temporary versions of the bill, as well as the accompanying emergency declaration resolution.

Summer 2018 is a going to be an important time for sports fans in the District of Columbia. Two major sporting events will take place; one of which will occur right here in the District of Columbia (District). The first is the 2018 World Cup Tournament which will take place in Russia in this year. The second is the 2018 All-Star Game which the District has the distinguished honor of hosting. Sporting events garner a significant amount of tourism and revenue for restaurants, clubs, taverns, and manufacturers of alcoholic beverages as well as for cities in which they are located and the District is not any different.

This legislation would allow licensed establishments to take advantage of the increased demand for food and drink during the 2018 All-Star Game and 2018 World Cup Tournament by being able to operate and sell for longer hours. The District has permitted such extended hours in the past for the World Cup. I seek to do so again for that sporting event and the 2018 All-Star Game, which will also result in a greater uptick of tourists in the city.

Under current law, on-premises retailers and temporary license holders are permitted to operate, sell, serve, and allow for the consumption of alcoholic beverages from 2:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m., Monday through Friday, and between 3:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m., Saturday and Sunday, excluding District and Federal holidays. See D.C. Official Code § 25-723(a). Manufacturers, on the other hand, are permitted to sell and deliver alcoholic beverages from 7:00 a.m. to midnight, Monday through Sunday. See D.C. Official Code § 25-721(c).

The proposed emergency and temporary bills would amend D.C. Official Code § 25-723 by

adding new subsections (g) and (h) which would:

- 1. Allow on-premises retailer licensees, manufacturers, and holders of temporary licenses to operate 24-hours a day and sell alcoholic beverages until 4:00 a.m., during the 2018 All-Star Game (i.e., July 14, 2018, and July 18, 2018); and
- 2. Allow on-premises retailer licenses to begin selling alcoholic beverages at 7:00 a.m. during the World Cup Tournament (i.e., June 14, 2018, and July 15, 2018).

The permanent amendment to D.C. Official Code § 25-723 is included in the Omnibus Alcoholic Beverage Amendment Act of 2017 which is presently under Council review and will not take effect before the All-Star Game and 2018 World Cup Tournament. It is for that reason I am submitting the present emergency and temporary bills to the Council for prompt and favorable action.

Sincerely,

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Chairman Phi	l Mendelson	<del></del>
at the request	of the Mayor	

A BILL IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Chairman Phil Mendelson, at the request of the Mayor, introduced the following bill, which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_\_. To amend, on a temporary basis, section 25-723 of the District of Columbia Official Code to amend the hours of operation, sale, service, and consumption for on-premises retailers during the 2018 World Cup; and to amend the hours of operation, sale, service, and consumption for on-premises retailers, manufacturers, and temporary license holders during the 2018 All-Star Game. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "2018 All-Star Game and World Cup Temporary Amendment Act of 2018". Sec. 2. Section 25-723 of the District of Columbia Official Code is amended as follows: (a) A new subsection (g) is added to read as follows: "(g)(1) Except as provided in § 25-724, during the 2018 All-Star Game, beginning July 14, 2018, and ending July 18, 2018, a licensee under an on-premises retailer's

license, manufacturer's license, or temporary license may sell or serve alcoholic

beverages until 4 a.m. and operate 24 hours a day if the licensee:

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2	"(A) Register with the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board;
3	"(B) Pays a registration fee of \$100; and
4	"(C) Provides written notification, no later than July 3, 2018, to the Alcoholic
5	Beverage Control Board and the Metropolitan Police Department of its extended hours of
6	operation, sales, service, and consumption.
7	"(2) The fees collected, pursuant to this subsection shall be deposited in the
8	Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration Fund established by § 25-210.
9	"(3) This subsection shall expire on July 19, 2018.".
10	(b)A new subsection (h) is added to read to as follows:
11	"(h)(1) Except as provided for in § 25-724, an on-premises retailer's license, may,
12	during the World Cup Tournament, beginning on June 14, 2018, through July 15, 2018,
13	operate, sell, serve, and allow for consumption of alcoholic beverages beginning at 7:00
14	a.m. on the first day of the World Cup Tournament through the last day of the World Cup
15	Tournament, if the licensee:
16	"(A) Registers with the Board;
17	"(B) Pays a registration fee of \$100;
18	"(C) Provides written notification, no later than 7 days prior to the first day of the
19	World Cup Tournament, to the Board and the Metropolitan Police Department of its
20	extended hours of operation.
21	"(2) The fees collected, pursuant ot his subsection, shall be deposited in the
22	Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration Fund established by D.C. Official Code §
23	25-210.

- 1 "(3) For purposes of this subsection, "World Cup Tournament," shall be defined
- 2 as the international soccer tournament which takes place every 4 years and is organized
- 3 by the Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA).
- 4 "(4) This subsection shall expire on July 16, 2018.".
- 5 Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.
- The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Chief Financial Officer as
- 7 the fiscal impact statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures
- 8 Act of 1975, approved October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official § 1-301.47a).
- 9 Sec. 4. Effective Date.
- 10 (a) This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of
- veto by the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), a 30-day period of
- 12 congressional review as provided in section 602(c)(1) of the District of Columbia Home
- Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 813; D.C. Official Code § 1-
- 14 206.02(c)(1)), and publication in the D.C. Register.
- 15 (b) This act shall expire after 225 days of its taking effect.

## GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL



ATTORNEY GENERAL KARL A. RACINE

**Legal Counsel Division** 

## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

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**Executive Director** 

Office of Policy and Legislative Affairs

FROM:

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**Deputy Attorney General** Legal Counsel Division

DATE:

April 17, 2018

SUBJECT: Legal Sufficiency Review of the "2018 All-Star Game and World Cup Emergency Amendment Act of 2018", the "2018 All-Star Game and World Cup Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2018", and the "2018 All-Star

Game and World Cup Temporary Amendment Act of 2018"

(AE-18-180)

This is to Certify that this Office has reviewed the above-referenced Resolution and found it to be legally unobjectionable. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 724-5524.