



**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT**

January 7, 2020

Fred Moosally, Director
Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration
2000 14th Street, NW
Fourth Floor, Suite 400S
Washington, D.C. 20009

Re: REQUEST FOR REVOCATION OF LICENSE OF:

Owner: Mohammed Yasin Jemal
Address: 15445 Reprise Terrace
Rockville, MD 20850

Trade Name: Bodega

License Class: B
License Number: ABRA-100950
Address: 2409 Franklin St. NE
Washington, DC 20018

Dear Director Moosally:

This letter is in reference to the establishment located at 2409 Franklin Street NE, Washington, DC, 20018 which operates as the “Bodega”. I am requesting that an immediate revocation of the ABRA license take place to ensure the safety of all citizens and visitors of Washington, D.C.

On Monday, January 6, 2020 at approximately 1:38 p.m. (4) males who were parked in the alley alongside of 2409 Franklin Street NE opened fire and shot (3) individuals. One of those individuals was killed as a result of the shooting. Approximately 80 shell casings were recovered along the side of the Bodega.

The Metropolitan Police Department responded to the scene. The establishment that operates at the Langdon Park Market “Bodega” was open and operating at the time. There is a history of crew activity and violence that has precipitated from, in, and around this establishment and this event is just the latest. The Bodega has been a meeting place for local individuals, many associated with a local crew and with violent histories. In the past year there have been 33 calls at this address for selling/buying drugs; 8 calls for drug use; 5 narcotics related arrests. There was also an ‘unlawful discharge’ of a firearm of a subject firing in the general direction of the Bodega (CCN: 19104473). The individuals who are known to the Metropolitan Police Department as local crew members sell food from within the Bodega. Those individuals call their ‘restaurant’ the Applied Pressure (AP) Kitchen and this is another draw for these individuals to ‘hang’ in and around the Bodega and the violence

associated with these individuals follows them to the Bodega. This violence puts the public at large in extreme danger.

The aforementioned circumstances indicate that the above-mentioned violent crime was connected to the establishment. A query of the CAD System also revealed that the Bodega establishment did not call the police, and did not call the fire department for medical treatment.

I find that continued operation of this establishment presents an imminent danger to the health and safety of the public, that there would be an additional imminent danger to the health and welfare of the public if the establishment is not closed, and that there is no other immediately available measure that would ameliorate the threat to the public safety. I have made my determination based upon the recommendation of Patrol Chief Lamar Greene of Patrol Services North.

Consequently, pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25-827, I hereby request that the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (The Board) revoke the license for “Bodega” to sell or distribute alcoholic beverages. Pursuant to my authority under the Emergency Suspension of Liquor Licenses Act of 2005 (D.C. Law 16-20, D.C. Official Code § 25-827), I intend to close the “Langdon Park Market” effective at 7:00 a.m. on January 7, 2020, for up to 96 hours subject to a hearing and pending disposition by the Board under D.C. Official Code § 25-826.

Additional information pertaining to crime statistics will be provided to the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA), the Attorney General’s Office and the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration (ABRA). I believe that the information obtained by the Metropolitan Police Department has provided the Board with sufficient information to make an evaluation and decision of my request. Should you need additional information, please contact Commander William Fitzgerald of the Fifth District, Patrol Services on (202) 698-0111.

Sincerely,



Peter Newsham
Chief of Police

cc: Rashad M. Young, City Administrator
Kevin Donahue, Deputy City Administrator and Deputy Mayor
Shawn Townsend, Deputy Mayor for Nightlife and Culture
Karl A. Racine, Attorney General
Ernest Chrappah, Director, DCRA
Patrol Chief Lamar Greene, Patrol Services North
Commander William Fitzgerald, Fifth District