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Ms. Paula Gertz President, Westchester Playa Neighborhood Council Westchester, Ca 90045

Re: Land Use and Alcohol License for Tomat @ 6261 W. 87<sup>th</sup> Street Case Number: ZA-2021-2582-CUB

## Dear Paula:

I'm writing this letter on behalf of the Westchester Town Center BID to communicate the Board's full support for the referenced development proposal for a new restaurant in the heart of Westchester. How exciting! And it is totally in tune with expressions of community interest over the years. How fortuitous as an additive to the foundations of Westchester revitalization created by The Book Jewel, Ayara's restaurant's improvements, the successful Sunday Westchester Farmer's Market, Coffee Company enhancements, and new residential developments that are occurring in the community.

The concept as we understand it is that Tomat will be on three floors: the first houses the main kitchen space and dining area; the second is an event space available to rent for meetings, conferences, presentations, etc; and, the third is a rooftop garden full of native plants to enjoy with a cocktail as you watch the aircraft at LAX.

We understand that Tomat will operate with a full liquor license during the hours of 7:00 AM to 11:00 PM. We believe that the community could not have a better steward of community well-being for these proposed operating terms than Natalie Dial with her strong Drollinger Family roots, a family that has made untold and extensive contributions over many years to Westchester community betterments. In that regard, the proposed Tomat is planned to synergize extensively with the many new and existing businesses in the area.

As we may assist in any way, please let me know.

Donald R. Duckworth Executive Director

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Re: Land Use and Alcohol License for

Tomat 6261 W. 87<sup>th</sup> Street Westchester, CA 90045 www.tomatkitchen.com

Case Number: ZA-2021-2582-CUB

Owners: Natalie Dial (310) 946-8693 & Harry Posner (310) 710-9608

To: Neighborhood Council of Westchester & Playa del Rey

I'm thrilled to support the planned opening of Tomat in the Westchester Triangle in 2022.

As a 29 year resident of Westchester and an active community member (I co-founded and produce the annual Westchester Arts & Music Block Party – aka WAM, and am a board member of the Westchester Family YMCA), I believe that the locally-sourced, vegetable-forward cuisine the restaurant plans to serve is spot on for current tastes and trends, and I LOVE that the space will also be used as a gathering place adjacent to The Book Jewel, and that they plan on utilizing a nearby plot of land for some of their produce.

Natalie's family has shown their long-term commitment to the community and that orientation is consistent with their plans for the restaurant. We need more businesses of this nature in our town and I applaud them for their efforts.

Having an establishment that offers high quality cuisine, a rooftop bar, and a rental space for local groups and individuals to utilize in the Westchester Triangle is one more step to raising the bar for our local entertainment/culture scene and will definitely be an asset to the neighbourhood.

I can't wait for them to open!!

Sincerely,

John Sharpe

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To: Neighborhood Council of Westchester & Playa del Rey

As a fellow business owner in the triangle of Westchester we are extremely excited to have Tomat join our restaurant community. Westchester has a small number of eateries and the residents are in dire need of amenities to enjoy in our local community. The Westchester triangle is also in great need of additional new companies to invest in the area. Tomat is doing just this which is so vital in helping the area stay competitive in the future.

I hope you will join us in supporting Tomat in its bid to get the needed license's as I know the community is extremely excited to welcome this much needed addition.

Best Regards, Tim Foley

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Dear Neighborhood Council of Westchester & Playa del Rey

I am enthusiastically writing in support of Harry Posner and Natalie Dial, who are applying for Land Use and Full Liquor License so that they can open a new restaurant in our community called Tomat.

I am the manager of The Book Jewel, an independent bookstore located at 6259 W. 87th Street in Westchester, CA. The proposed restaurant will be our next door neighbor. Over the past months, I have watched the restaurant take shape and have gotten to know the proprietors well. Harry Posner and Natalie Dial are consummate professionals. They have meticulously planned their restaurant and have exhibited great pride in making our community a better place for all.

I wholeheartedly support their business plans and have no concerns whatsoever about their ability to operate their restaurant with a full liquor license. Their proposed business hours of operation, 7am - 11pm will be a welcome addition to our business community and will allow our independent bookstore to stay open later to serve their customers. I am also very impressed with their rooftop deck and believe that it will help revitalize our immediate neighborhood and be an ideal place to host community events, such as Chamber of Commerce mixers.

Additionally, I'm looking forward to seeing their plans to transform the vacant dirt lot behind Bar Melody into an organic garden. Finally, some much needed green space in a sea of parking lots! I have great respect for these young proprietors and urge the Neighborhood Council to lend it's full support to their Land Use and Full Liquor License requests as I have.

Full Support,

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