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ALRC
City of Madison
210 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Rm. 105
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Re: Cielo Entertainment License Revocation Hearing, May 27, 2026

Good Evening, Committee Members,

I am a board member of the Miffland Neighborhood Group.

In June, 2025, Susan McKinney, the owner of Cielo, appeared before us to request approval of her new venture. The picture of the business that she painted at that time was of a space offering ethnically diverse food and drink accompanied by thematically appropriate music. It sounded delightful, and we were happy to give our blessing.

But what Ms. McKinley has actually delivered is a rock club in which food is notional, and whose defining quality, as her neighbors have related, is blaring, percussive music at maximum amplification. Music so loud, in fact, that the walls of adjoining apartments literally vibrate, preventing the tenants from enjoying their home as is their right, making sleep impossible, and impairing their health.

This is miles from what we approved, and I therefore urge the committee to revoke Ms. McKinney's entertainment license without delay. Her innocent neighbors have already suffered for eight months. Enough is enough!

Peace,



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