Please--No alcohol license for 1843 Monroe Street

To the Madison City Council:

I am writing in strong opposition to the proposed alcohol/liquor license, and subsequent placement of a tavern, at 1843 Monroe Street.

For the past three years my 12-year-old child has been a member of The Young Shakespeare Players (YSP) — a not-for-profit children's-and-young-people's theater and education organization located at 1806 West Lawn Avenue. YSP's property abuts the three-way corner of Monroe, Spooner, and West Lawn.

YSP is a unique Madison institution. No other theater in the United States stages full-length Shakespeare plays with children aged 7 to 18. The work these children produce is stupendous...it boggles the mind of any adult who happens upon one of their performances. The kids spend long hours at the theater on weeknights and weekends. They frequent businesses on Monroe Street, such as Pizza Brutta, Trader Joe's, and Barrique's.

I believe the placement of a tavern across the street from the Young Shakespeare Players will be detrimental to the climate of the neighborhood, and I urge you to reject the alcohol license for this location.

Sincerely, Molly Wesling 9 Walworth Court Madison, WI 53705