

Date: 8-17-11

City of Madison  
Registration Statement – Alcohol License Review Committee

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Agenda No. #18  
Required – Can be obtained from agenda  
on registration table.

Name Susan Schmitz  
Address 210 Marinette Tr.

Please check the appropriate boxes:

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**Support**

- ☐ Wish to speak  
☐ Do not wish to speak  
☐ Available to answer questions

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**Oppose**

- ☒ Wish to speak  
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DM/  
122 W. Wash. Ave

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☒ Yes ☐ No

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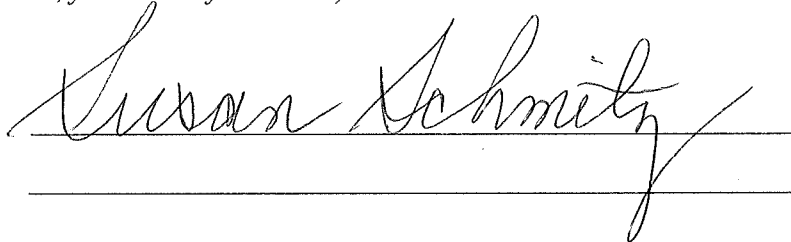
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Agenda No. <u>(18) 23005</u>
<u>Required</u> – Can be obtained from agenda on registration table.

Name Nina J. Emerson  
Address 137 S. Brighthouse Place  
Madison 53715

Please check the appropriate boxes:

- ☐ **Support**
- ☐ Wish to speak
  - ☐ Do not wish to speak
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- ☒ **Oppose**
- See attached letter*
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Nina J. Emerson  
137 S. Brittingham Place  
Madison, WI 53715

August 17, 2011

Mr. David Hart, Chairperson  
Madison Alcohol License Review Committee  
210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.  
Madison, WI 53703

Re: Agenda Item 23005

Dear Chairperson Hart and Members of the ALRC:

I am writing this letter in opposition to the proposal to repeal the ordinance prohibiting the sale of alcohol to habitually intoxicated persons for the following reasons:

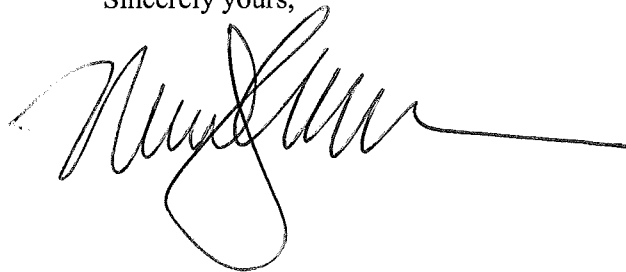
*First*, the ordinance has not been in effect long enough to know whether it is effective. What we do know is that a relatively small number of people in the downtown area who are chronic alcoholics cause the most trouble and cost the city millions of dollars each year.

*Second*, it is unrealistic to rely solely on the state statutes for the involuntary commitment of habitually intoxicated persons to deal with this problem. The judicial procedures outlined in §51.45(13), Wis. Stat. 2009-10, are lengthy and time consuming for obvious reasons. Certainly, treatment for the individual is the ultimate goal. However, a good place to start is by not serving or selling alcohol to the person. Neither the ordinance nor the treatment provision is exclusive.

*Third*, alcohol retailers should not be put in the untenable position of having to identify people who may or may not be "habitual drunkards." The ordinance provides an objective list of criteria for the police to use for placing someone on the list. Even then, a person may petition the Madison Police Department to have his or her name removed after a period of time without any violations.

I urge the ALRC to not repeal the Habitually Intoxicated Persons Ordinance in order for the City to evaluate whether it works.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nina J. Emerson', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.



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Name Brendan O'Donnell  
Address 137 S. BRITTINGHAM PL.  
MADISON, WI 53715

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Madison, WI 53715

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Mr. David Hart, Chairperson  
Madison Alcohol License Review Committee  
210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.  
Madison, WI 53703

Re: Agenda Item 23005

Greetings Chairperson Hart and Members of the ALRC:

As a downtown resident, I ask that you keep the ordinance in effect that prohibits the sale of alcohol to "habitually intoxicated persons." The Brittingham Park Neighborhood could have benefitted from this ordinance when we were having so many problems with chronic inebriates living in the park shelter. It wasn't until one of them died at the shelter that city officials finally took action. See, "Problems in the park, Brittingham death puts neighbors' gripes in spotlight, *The Cap Times*, July 30, 2007." Any one of the park shelter inhabitants at that time could have been placed on a "do not sell" list. Instead, one of them drank themselves to death.

The ordinance prohibiting the sale of alcohol to "habitually intoxicated persons" is a good start to dealing with a small group of people who require a disproportionate amount of city resources. Please not repeal the Habitually Intoxicated Persons Ordinance.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brendan O'Donnell". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial 'B' and a distinct 'O'.

