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To whom it may concern,

I wanted to share my opinion on agenda item 55 in the alcohol license review committee. I am proposing that the already dense population of establishments selling and serving liquor in the East Washington Ave area be considered similar to downtown in regards to agenda item 55, which would enact restrictions on future licensing opportunities based on existing license density. With a quick Google search it is easy to find > 20 liquor stores in less than a 5 mile radius just east of the isthmus, not to mention the numerous restaurants serving alcoholic beverages. As a loyal customer of multiple restaurants and stores in the East Wash area, several of which serve and sell alcohol, I am concerned that continuing to grant additional licenses in this area will have a significant negative impact on these local businesses currently serving alcohol to Madison natives. Therefore, I am hoping that the East Washington Ave and adjacent areas be strongly considered along with the downtown area for the agenda item #55 discussion, which would take into account the high density of existing alcohol licenses in this area of the city as it has for downtown Madison.

Thank you,

Grayson