

To whom it may concern:

My name is Todd Phipps of Mount Horeb, I'm a musician in several local bands who play regularly at the Red Rooster. Many of us in the Madison music community consider the Red Rooster to be a special home and a vital venue for blues, roots music, and other genres. The Rooster brings in many nationally-known artists all of whom love performing there and enjoy the unique atmosphere the club provides. Tim and his crew run a solid ship; the tragic occurrences this past December do not reflect the character of the management at all and should not cause the loss of a vitally important space for live music. The Red Rooster is a community hub and brings visitors from out of town to enjoy a great show bringing revenue into the city.

I strongly urge the committee to please consider giving them another shot. We need this venue.

Sincerely,

Todd A. Phipps

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