



To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing on behalf of the Divisadero Merchants Association to express our enthusiastic support for The Independent's application to obtain an all-ages liquor license. We believe that granting this license would not only greatly benefit The Independent but also have positive effects on the neighboring businesses in the community.

The Independent has long been a valued establishment in our neighborhood, providing a unique and vibrant space for live entertainment. The venue has cultivated a welcoming and inclusive environment that attracts a diverse customer base. By obtaining an all-ages liquor license, The Independent will have the opportunity to enhance its offerings to families and individuals of all ages, and better serve the community as a whole.

The presence of an all-ages liquor license at The Independent will be a significant boost to the local economy and neighboring businesses. It will encourage more foot traffic and draw a broader range of patrons to Divisadero Street, benefiting the various establishments in the area, such as restaurants, retail stores, and entertainment venues. The increased activity generated by The Independent's expanded services will undoubtedly contribute to the vitality and economic growth of our community.

Furthermore, The Independent has demonstrated a strong commitment to responsible alcohol service and has implemented measures to ensure the safety and well-being of its patrons. The management and staff have shown professionalism and adherence to all relevant regulations, making them well-equipped to handle the additional responsibility of an all-ages liquor license.

In summary, the Divisadero Merchants Association wholeheartedly supports The Independent's application for an all-ages liquor license. We firmly believe that granting this license will not only benefit The Independent but also positively impact the surrounding businesses and contribute to the continued success of our vibrant community.

Thank you for considering our endorsement. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require any further information or have any questions.

Thank you,

Kittrick Mann, DMA

