

April 2, 2015

The Honorable London Breed President, San Francisco Board of Supervisors San Francisco City Hall 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244 San Francisco, CA 94102

RE: File No. 150269 Formula Retail Workers Bill of Rights

Dear Supervisor Breed:

As you know, last December the Mayor returned to the Board of Supervisors unsigned, two proposed ordinances regulating certain employment practices of "formula retailers". Mayor Lee urged the Board to recognize that because of the various businesses impacted, a more nuanced approach to the legislation was necessary. As a result, amendments are pending in the Budget Committee to Police Code, Articles 33F and 33G, increasing the employee threshold for the business to be covered and excluding from coverage certain unionized employers.

During the coming weeks we hope that a dialogue can be opened regarding a number of provisions that seriously impact the ability of many businesses to manage its workforce. Our industry is dynamic and highly competitive. As such, retailers must identify efficiencies in order to maximize productivity thereby enhancing the customer experiences, which causes each retailer to approach their needs and challenges differently. The notice and record keeping requirements when offering additional work hours to part-time employees, the 14 day requirement for posting schedules and the penalty threshold dates for changed schedules pose different problems for different business types.

We hope that over the next few weeks, we can engage in an open dialogue and work towards a solution to this rigid approach, which fails to contemplate the unique needs of our industry.

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Sincerely,

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