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ATTN: Permits and Inspections Department, Ryan Morhart, Geordie Gordon CC: NPNA Board, NPNA CALUC, Paul Dixon (Victoria Curling Club) Sent via email

Re: Liquor Primary Club Licence Application Change for 1952 Quadra Street

December 2, 2022

Dear Manager of Permits and Inspections,

On behalf of the North Park Neighbourhood Association Board and Land Use Committee, we submit this letter of support in response to the Victoria Curling Club (1952 Quadra Street) application to change from a Liquor Primary Club License to a Liquor Primary License. The notification about the application was shared in two NPNA newsletters and directly to CALUC members, and we have not received any opposition or concerns about this application.

Over the years, we have found the Victoria Curling Club to be excellent neighbours who participate and facilitate community activities, provide opportunities for physical activity for all ages, economic groups, and abilities, and ensure their patrons are respectful of the neighbourhood. With the recent transition of Logan's Pub to a liquor store and limited options for food service venues open after 6 pm, we feel that the Curling Club lounge presents an important venue for socializing and community development. The establishment's extended hours and liquor licensing change will provide more opportunities for community members to utilize the space.

The NPNA acknowledges that as owners and operators of the aging facility and equipment, the Curling Club faces increasing operating and maintenance costs. The Club is motivated to keep their member rates and rental time low, and the change in liquor licensing and hours of operation will help the club meet these needs by increasing revenue and potentially attracting new members. Before the pandemic, the NPNA held several gatherings at the Curling Club and found the operators accommodating partners. We also recognize the value that the Victoria and Esquimalt Curling Clubs hold in the community as the last places for people to curl in the Capital Region. We hope that this enables them to continue offering this service.

Sincerely,
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