

ARTS COUNCIL OF NEW WESTMINSTER

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To Mayor Cote and Council City of New Westminster June 21st, 2022

Dear Mayor and Council

RE: Application for permanent liquor license at Massey Theatre

On Behalf of the Arts Council of New Westminster, I wish to support the bylaw text amendment allowing a permanent liquor license application at 735 Eighth Ave. (Massey Theatre).

The Massey Society is developing their expanded space, Eighth and Eight into a thriving cultural hub, a community gathering space. Adding a food and beverage program can improve the economic viability of the society and enhance the experiences.

With examples like "Music on the River" the Arts Council has proven that the safe and responsible consumption of alcohol and food contributes to the enjoyment of social gatherings such as cultural events. I am confident the same will hold true at the Massey Theatre.

Sincerely,

Bob Crockett President