# THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL BOARD

In the Matter of:	)		
Blazin Wings, Inc. t/a Buffalo Wild Wings	)		
Applicant for a New Retailer's Class CR License	) )	License No. Order No.	ABRA-099597 2016-040
at premises 1220 Half Street, S.E. Washington, D.C. 20003	) ) )		

Blazin Wings, Inc., t/a Buffalo Wild Wings (Applicant)

Roger Moffatt, Chairperson, Advisory Neighborhood Commission (ANC) 6D

**BEFORE:** Donovan Anderson, Chairperson Nick Alberti, Member Mike Silverstein, Member Ruthanne Miller, Member James Short, Member

## **ORDER ON SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

The official records of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (Board) reflect that Blazin Wings, Inc., t/a Buffalo Wild Wings, Applicant for a new Retailer's Class CR License, located at 1220 Half Street, S.E., Washington, D.C., and ANC 6D have entered into a Settlement Agreement (Agreement), dated September 21, 2015, that governs the operation of the Applicant's establishment.

The Agreement has been reduced to writing and has been properly executed and filed with the Board. The Applicant and Chairperson Roger Moffatt and Dr. Coralie Farlee, on behalf of ANC 6D, are signatories to the Agreement.

Accordingly, it is this 3rd day of February, 2016, **ORDERED** that:

1. The above-referenced Settlement Agreement submitted by the parties to govern the operations of the Applicant's establishment is **APPROVED** and **INCORPORATED** as part of this Order, except for the following modification:

Section 2 (Nature of the Business) – The first sentence shall be modified to read as follows: "The Applicant will manage and operate a full service restaurant serving spirits, wine and beer."

The parties have agreed to this modification.

2. Copies of this Order shall be sent to the Applicant and ANC 6D.

District of Columbia Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

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Pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25-433(d)(1), any party adversely affected may file a Motion for Reconsideration of this decision within ten (10) days of service of this Order with the Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Administration, 2000 14<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W., Suite 400S, Washington, DC 20009.

Also, pursuant to section 11 of the District of Columbia Administrative Procedure Act, Pub. L. 90-614, 82 Stat. 1209, D.C. Official Code §2-510 (2001), and Rule 15 of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, any party adversely affected has the right to appeal this Order by filing a petition for review, within thirty (30) days of the date of service of this Order, with the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, 430 E Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001; (202/879-1010). However, the timely filing of a Motion for Reconsideration pursuant to 23 DCMR §1719.1 (2008) stays the time for filing a petition for review in the District of Columbia Court of Appeals until the Board rules on the motion. See D.C. App. Rule 15(b) (2004).

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# **COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT**

THIS COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is made on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September 2015 by and between Blazin Wings, Inc. t/a Buffalo Wild Wings ("Applicant"), at 1220 Half Street, SE, License # ABRA-099597, and Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6D ("Protestant"), (collectively, the "Parties").

### PREAMBLE

Through this agreement both parties aim to create an environment in which the Applicant may operate as a viable contributing establishment in the ANC6D community.

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WIIEREAS, Applicant has applied for a License Class CR for a business establishment ("Establishment") serving spirits, wine, and beer, including indoor space, and a sidewalk café located at 1220 Half Street, SE, Washington, D.C. 20003 ("Premises"); and

WHEREAS, Protestant is Advisory Neighborhood Commission ANC6D, which filed a timely protest (the "Protest") against the issuance of the Applicant's license application pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25-601(1) and 601(4), respectively; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant agrees to work regularly with ANC6D and its representatives, other neighborhood organizations, and residents to ensure that the business operations facilitate the enjoyment of the surrounding neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, the Parties are desirous of entering into a Cooperative Agreement pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25-446 for the operation and maintenance of the Establishment in such a manner as to minimize the effect, within the ANC, on (1) the effect of the establishment on peace, order, and quiet, including the noise and litter provisions set forth in §§ 25-725 and 25-726; and (2) The effect of the establishment upon residential parking needs and vehicular and pedestrian safety, and to eliminate the need for a Protest Hearing regarding the license application; and

WHEREAS, all parties believe that the statements and provisions contained in this agreement are reasonable and shall become wholly integrated into the day-to-day operation of

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the Establishment. The Parties agree that any change in operations is considered of great concern which they may bring to the attention of the ABC Board. The Parties acknowledge that any substantial change in operations requires prior approval by the ABC Board; and

WHEREAS, the Parties have agreed to enter into this Agreement and request that the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board ("ABC Board") approve the Applicant's license application conditioned upon the Applicant's compliance with the terms of this written Agreement: and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the recitals set forth above and the mutual covenants and conditions set forth below, the Parties agree as follows:

1. *Recitals Incorporated.* The recitals set forth above are incorporated herein by reference.

2. Nature of the Business. The Applicant will manage and operate a full service restaurant serving spirits, wine, and beer, specializing in chicken wings with a variety of signature sauces. The establishment will have one sidewalk café which is expected to be operational during the April 1 to November 15 season. The establishment will have indoor televisions and coin-operated amusement devices; and televisions on the sidewalk café. There will be no Entertainment endorsement. The Establishment will have one sidewalk café which is expected to be operational during the April 1 to November 15 season. There may recorded music in both the indoor and sidewalk café spaces during the hours of operation and sales.

#### 3. Hours of Operation and Sales.

The Applicant's hours of operation and for selling, serving, and consuming alcohol in the indoor premises shall be as follows:

Sunday: 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 midnight; Monday through Thursday: 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m.; Friday and Saturday: 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m.

The Applicant's hours for operation of and selling, serving, and consuming alcohol in the sidewalk cafe shall be as follows:

Sunday 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 midnight,

Monday through Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m.

Provided that: (a) on days designated by the DC ABC Board as "Holiday Extension of Hours" applicant may avail itself of the extended hours so provided; (b) in the event the . Council of the District of Columbia or the ABC Board grants licensees in general extended operating hours (such as for Inauguration) applicant may avail itself of such extended hours; and (c) on January 1 of each year applicant may operate until 4:00a.m. Consistent with Alcoholic Beverage Control Board interpretations, "closing hours" shall be construed as the hours at which no patrons shall remain on the premises.

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- 4. *Floors Utilized and Occupancy.* The Applicant will operate its establishment on the first floor of the building consisting of approximately 6,314 square feet. The Certificate of Occupancy will state the seating and occupant load; however, the Establishment shall not exceed a total occupancy of 260, which includes indoor seating of a maximum of 233; and a maximum of 28 patrons in the sidewalk cafe.
- 5. Sidewalk Cafe. Applicant plans to provide for a maximum of 28 patrons in a sidewalk cafe. The sidewalk cafe shall be enclosed with appropriate barriers to delineate the space designated for the sidewalk café from the adjacent public areas, and may include such things as shrubbery or fencing with vines; bushes, vines or trees in planters. The sidewalk café shall have a 4 foot-high railing with gates secured with emergency push bar alarms with no access outside the premises and the only "in/out" through the indoor part of the establishment. No containers, cups, bottles/cans, etc. shall be permitted outside of or to leave the area regardless of content.
- 6. **Parking Arrangements.** It is a concern of the Protestants that the Applicant's operation of the Establishment does not create or exacerbate parking problems within the ANC. The Applicant shall notify patrons (through a website or other means) that there is limited parking in the vicinity and shall provide information about public transportation.
- 7. Noise and Privacy. Applicant shall strictly comply with D.C. Official Code § 25-725 and to that end shall use various means including making architectural improvements to the property and take all necessary actions and mitigation efforts to ensure that music, noise and vibration from the Establishment are not audible in any residential premises.

Applicant shall inform its patrons that upon exiting the Establishment and walking through the neighborhood the provisions of the "Noise at Night" law prohibit persons from making "unreasonably loud noise between the hours of 10 pm and 7 am that are likely to annoy or disturb one or more persons in their residences."

Applicant shall receive all deliveries of food, beverages, and supplies during hours between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Mondays to Saturdays. No deliveries excepting fresh bread products shall be accepted on Sundays.

8. **Public Space and Trash.** The Applicant shall contract with a private trash removal company. The trash and dumpster areas maintained by the Applicant shall be kept clean. The Applicant shall enclose its dumpsters and keep dumster lids tightly closed and incapable of being entered by rodents, in order to limit odors and help control pest and rodent population. Applicant shall ensure that the area around the dumpster is kept clean at all times and the dumpster is placed such that it does not encroach on the abutting property owners and so that no garbage is placed on the abutting property. Applicant will

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provide for the proper (recyclable) removal of grease and oils and will not deposit these substances for removal in dumpsters or trash cans. Applicant will contract for regular rodent and pest (insect) abatement. Applicant shall have the Establishment and the area around the Premises properly cleaned at the end of each night to ensure that there are not garbage and odors present the following morning.

9. Security Cooperation in Stemming Illegal Drugs and Public Drinking. Applicant shall take all necessary steps to minimize problems of illegal drugs and public drinking, including, at all times a trained employee on site, without limitation, designating a sufficient number of employees to assure adequate security and to control unruly patrons, whether inside or in the immediate outside area; monitoring for and prohibiting sales or use of illegal drugs within or about the Premises, maintaining contact and cooperating with MPD and other enforcement officials when known or suspected drug activities occur. Applicant shall to the full extent permissible by law discourage loitering in the vicinity of the Premises.

Applicant shall have sufficient number of recording cameras of good photographic quality which maintain information for at least 30 days. These recording cameras shall cover exterior of the premises and sidewalk café/summer garden areas, including all entrances and exits. This information shall be made available to representatives of ABRA and/or MPD as requested.

- 10. License Ownership and Compliance with ABRA Regulations. Applicant promises to Protestants that it shall abide by all Alcoholic Beverage Regulations Administration (ABRA) regulations regarding the ownership of the license and all other provisions applicable to liquor licensees, and agrees that Protestants shall have standing to ask the ABC Board to enforce any violations of the agreement.
- 11. *Participation in the Community.* Applicant agrees to seek to maintain open communication with the Protestants, and the community for which the ANC acts.
- 12 Notice and Opportunity to Cure. In the event that any of the parties is in breach of this Agreement, it shall be entitled to reasonable notice and opportunity to cure, as a condition precedent to seeking enforcement of the Agreement. Unless the breach is of an emergency nature or is a repetition of a prior breach, reasonable notice and opportunity shall provide for a cure within 30 days of the date of such notice. If Applicant or the licensee fails to cure within the 30-day period (or, with respect to a breach which reasonably requires more than 30-days to cure, fails to commence cure of such breach and diligently pursues such cure) failure shall constitute a cause for filing a complaint with the ABC Board pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 25-446(e).

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If to Applicant:

Blazin Wings, Inc. t/a Buffalo Wild Wings 1220 Half Street, SE Washington, DC 20003 Attn: Philip Rossi; Phone: 571-284-9714 e-mail: prossi@buffalowildwings.com

With copy to: Licensing

Buffalo Wild Wings 5500 Wayzata Blvd. #1600 Minneapolis, MN 55416 Phone: 952-593-9943 FAX: 952-818-3674 licensing@buffalowildwings.com

If to Protestants;

Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6D 1101 4<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Suite W130 Washington, DC 20024 Attn: Chair, ANC Phone: (202) 202 554-1795 Fax (202) 202 554-1774 e-mail: office@ANC6D.org

Failure to give notice shall not constitute waiver or acquiescence to the violation, but notice shall be a prerequisite to the filing of a complaint with the ABC Board or any other enforcement action.

14. *Withdrawal of Protest.* Upon execution of this Agreement by the Parties and its acceptance by the ABC Board, Protestants shall withdraw the Protest.

PROTESTANT:	APPLICANT:
Chair, ANC6D	Blazin Wings, Inc. t/a Buffalo Wild Wings,
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Chair, ABC Committee, ANC6D	By: Emily C. Decker
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