



**PHILIP B.**

**To: Honorable Director of Community Development and Planner Adrian Gallo**

**Re: Support for APA 23-0004 Somni2 at 9045 Nemo Street, West Hollywood, CA**

As a Philip Berkovits owner of Philip B located at Nemo 9053 in West Hollywood , I fully support Chef Aitor Zabala's new restaurant Somni2's application for an Administrative Permit **APA 23-0004** ("AP") which will allow outdoor restaurant operations, including the service of alcoholic beverages and low level ambient music until 2:00 a.m. daily at their new premises located at 9045 Nemo Street, West Hollywood, CA.

Chef Aitor has formidable experience and is widely renown as a top rated chef whose most recent Los Angeles endeavor Somni earned 2 Michelin stars. Somni2 will be the first of its kind, fine dining establishment focusing on a small scale tasting menu concept which is not otherwise available in West Hollywood.

Somni 2 will be meticulously designed and include a small main patron chef's dining counter, a separate private dining room, a space featuring stellar wine selections, a front gallery featuring rotating art installations, an outdoor entry host area and a dining patio under the leafy tree enhanced landscaping. The many existing mature trees onsite will be retained, improved and nurtured. To ensure that ambient music is not heard by neighbors, the sound system will focus all sound toward the interior of the outdoor courtyard.

The kitchen and back of the house areas, the existing structures and back wall on the premises fully enclose the outdoor dining patio, further buffering sound and preventing noise from traveling outside the site. Given that the ambient low level music inside and outside should not be audible outside the Premises, and the true asset Somni2 will be to the communiity I fully support granting Somni2's AP to allow outdoor dining with alcohol service until the usual 2:00 a.m. closing time.

In view thereof, we respectfully request that Stache's

applications be approved. Thank you.

**Name : Philip  
Berkovitz**

**Sign :** A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Philip B', written in a cursive style.