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My name is Virginia Bennett and my family and I reside at 208 S Saint Asaph, in a direct sight and sound line of Hotel Heron. Their rooftop music has negatively impacted our neighborhood on many occasions over a period of many months.

Since three minutes is short, I will be direct. I - and all the neighbors I have spoken to - do not wish Hotel Heron to receive the Special Use Permit under consideration.

We would prefer that live music and DJs not be allowed, at all. The days and times we enjoy our homes and, in particular, an outdoor setting, are the same for both their patrons and us as residents. The Heron's patrons drop by and have a couple of drinks. We live here, and don't move on after a couple of hours. Especially on Sunday, traditionally a quiet and peaceful day, a persistent bar beat or amplified music for 6 straight hours with virtually no ambient street noise to help mask it, will be really intrusive and frankly unpleasant.

Three nights and all day on Sunday constitutes the majority of our non-work leisure time when we are most likely to be in our homes. At a minimum, we respectfully ask that Sundays be excluded entirely from your consideration.

That said, if Council is inclined to approve the SUP, it is incumbent upon Council to ensure there is independent regulation of the decibel levels Heron will produce on their rooftop. With only two City noise inspectors for all of Alexandria, it is not plausible that the City can sufficiently regulate Hotel Heron, especially given the history of this matter.

Heron's owners have already amply demonstrated that they cannot or perhaps choose not to self-regulate. A mandatory, certified acoustics limiter which is set not to exceed 65dB can be obtained for a relatively modest amount of money. A limiter physically cuts the audio signal when the threshold is breached for more than 20-30 seconds.

In addition, a telemetric noise monitoring system -- i.e. a weatherproof microphone and a transmitter mounted at the Heron rooftop would provide passive monitoring, with real-time data access for the City, at a modest upfront cost to the operator. The monitoring system provides prima facie evidence of an SUP violation, should such occur.

The combination of the two is proportionate and responsible policy, and could serve as a framework for all future and existing rooftop venues, as well as protect City residents.

Thank you.

TO: Alexandria City Councilmen and Councilwomen

FROM: Gary Koopmann, Ph.D., P.E.

SUBJECT: Noise Control Considerations for Hotel Heron Rooftop Entertainment

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Recommendation

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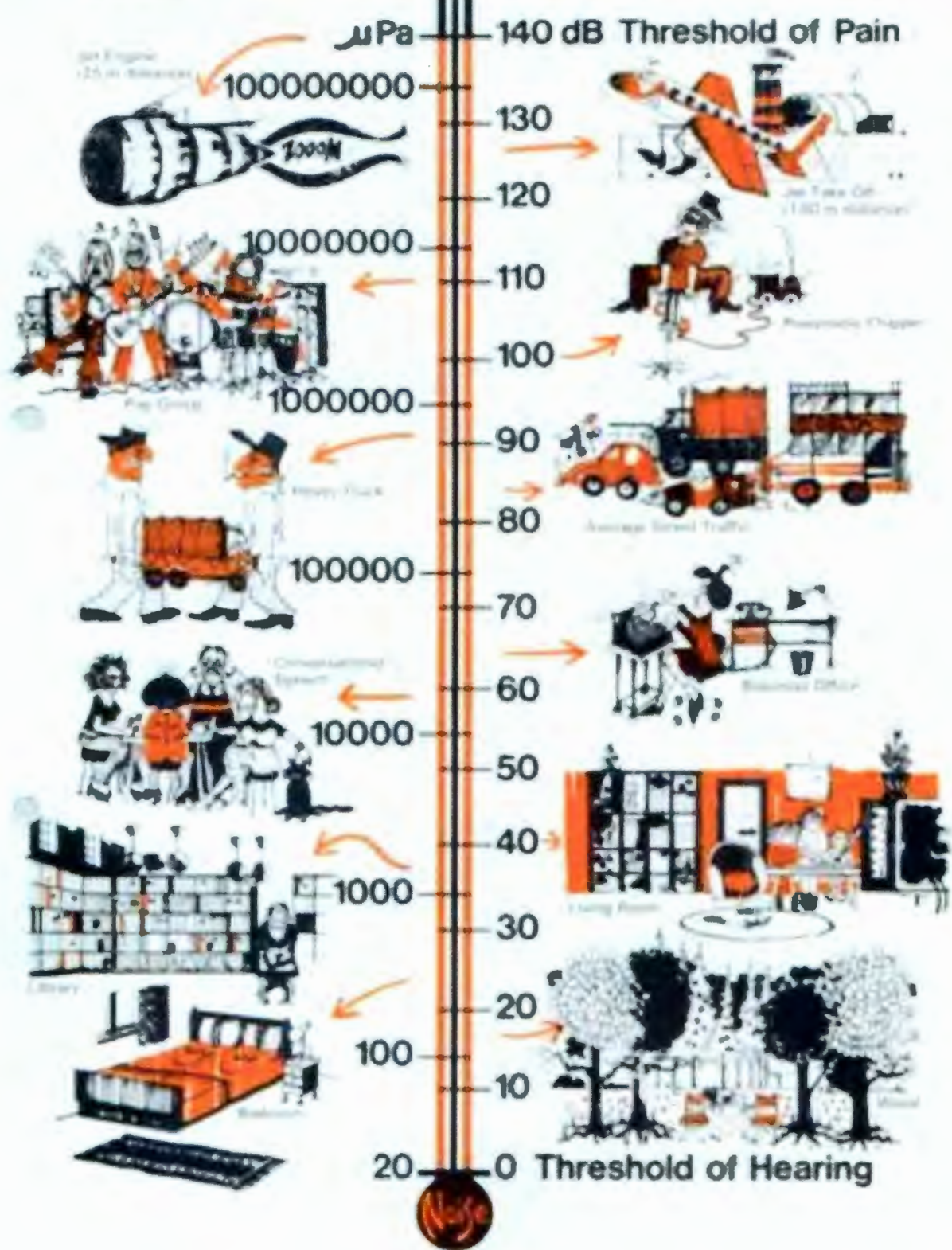
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Re: [EXTERNAL]June 13, 2026 Alexandria City Council File No. 26-1085 Hotel Heron SUP #2026-00009

CS Connaughton, Sean <sconnaughton@vhha.com>       

To: Kendra Jacobs Wed 6/10/2026 3:27 PM

Cc: CouncilComment@alexandriava.gov; Sean Connaughton <seanconnaugh

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So they provided written notice only to the abutting commercial property on Prince street and the one on South Washington?

Can I get a copy of service list? I didn't see it in the Council package.

Thanks

On Jun 10, 2026, at 3:18 PM, Kendra Jacobs <Kendra.Jacobs@alexandriava.gov> wrote:

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Hi Mr. Connaughton - Thank you for your comments regarding 699 Prince St. The City Clerk's Office will ensure that your comments are distributed to City Council.

I wanted to respond to your concern regarding the written notice. Written notice as required by the Zoning Ordinance was sent to all abutting property owners. Your property at 709 Prince Street is not an abutting property to 699 Prince Street. You are welcome to attend this Saturday's City Council Public Hearing to make your concerns known before a final action on this Special Use Permit.

Thank you.

Kendra M. Jacobs
Boards and Commission Unit Manager
Planning and Zoning
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703.746.4666 - Main
kendra.jacobs@alexandriava.gov

From: Connaughton, Sean <sconnaughton@vhha.com>

Sent: Wednesday, June 10, 2026 3:02 PM

To: CouncilComment@alexandriava.gov <CouncilComment@alexandriava.gov>

[EXTERNAL]Docket Item 18 - Support for Housing 2040

From curt johnson <chef4443@yahoo.com>

Date Thu 6/11/2026 10:05 AM

To CouncilComment@alexandriava.gov <CouncilComment@alexandriava.gov>

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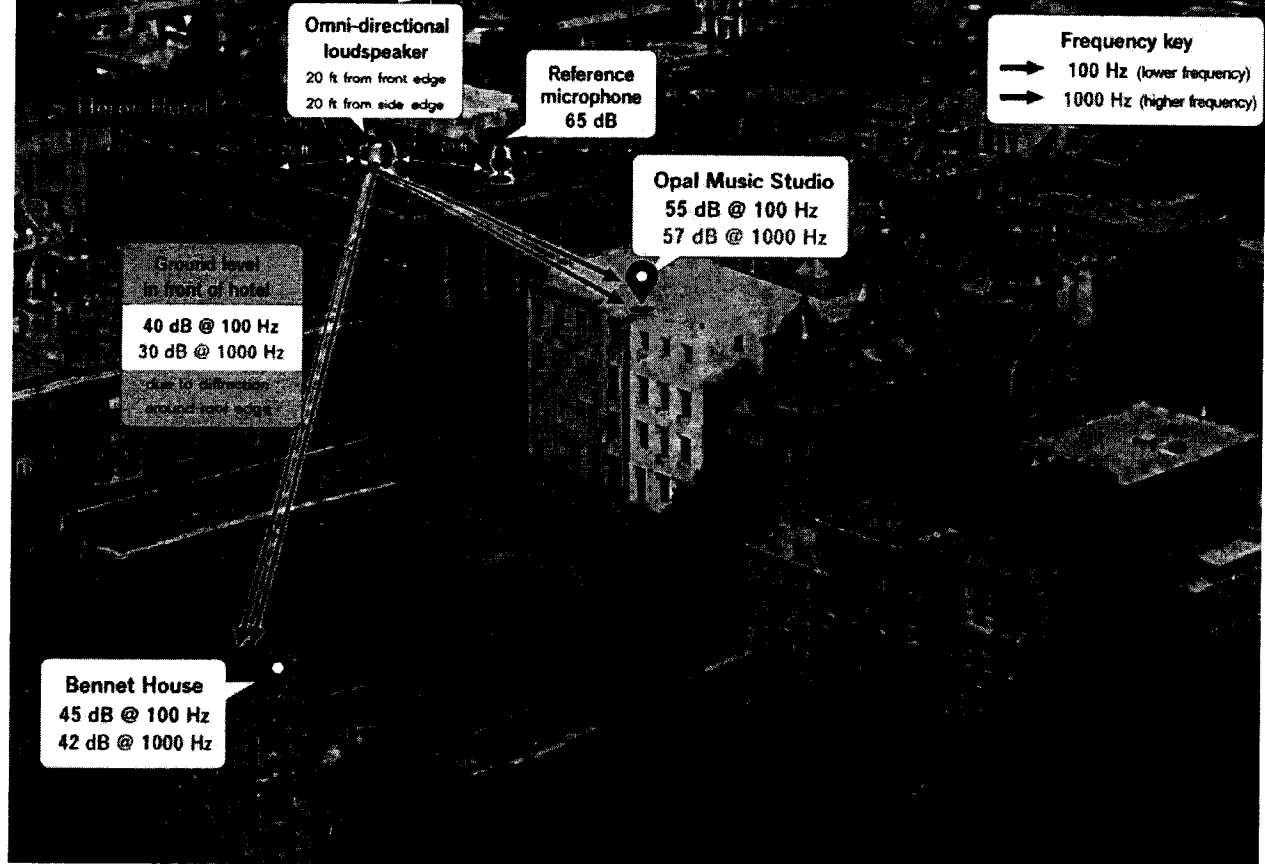
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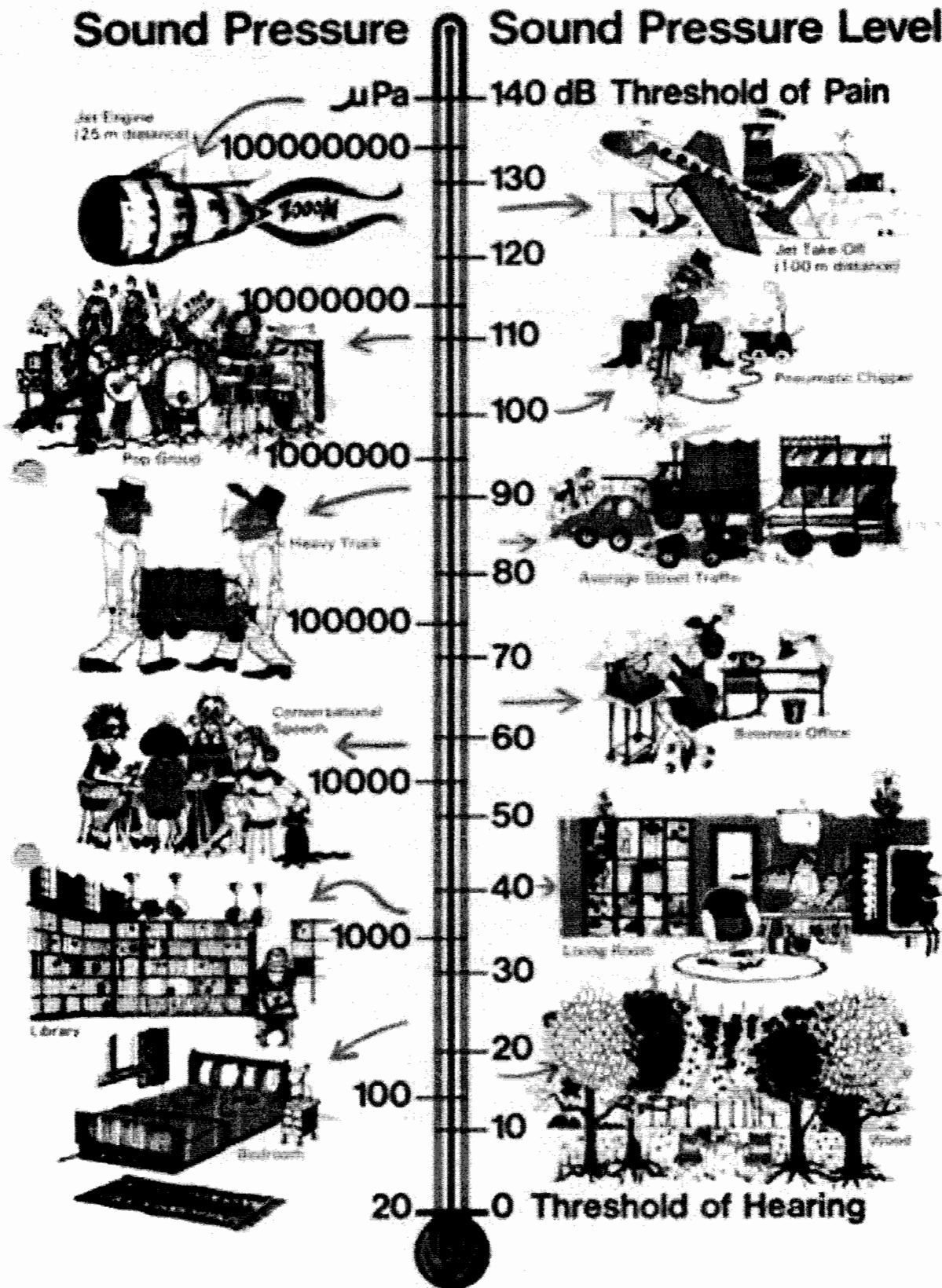
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Petition from the Opal Community Regarding Hotel Heron Rooftop Entertainment

We, the undersigned members of the Opal community—including teachers, students, parents, families, neighbors, and alumni—respectfully ask the City of Alexandria to include meaningful safeguards in any approval of Hotel Heron's rooftop entertainment Special Use Permit. We believe rooftop entertainment can coexist with neighboring businesses and residents, but only if there are clear, measurable, and enforceable protections in place to ensure compliance with the City's noise regulations and to provide accountability when concerns arise. Rooftop entertainment must operate in a way that respects neighboring businesses, residents, and community organizations.

Our concerns are based on experience, not speculation. Before seeking approval for rooftop entertainment, Hotel Heron regularly hosted amplified music and DJ events that generated **repeated, documented noise complaints** from its neighbors. Members of the Opal community experienced music and bass levels that disrupted lessons, performances, and business operations. As the City considers this Special Use Permit, we ask that clear, measurable, and enforceable safeguards be included to ensure that these impacts do not continue in the future.

Based on recommendations from acoustics expert Dr. Gary Koopmann, we respectfully ask the City to require the following conditions:

1. Sound Must Be Measured at the Rooftop

Because rooftop sound travels differently than sound generated at street level, compliance measurements should be taken at the rooftop perimeter, where the sound originates.

Measurements taken only at street level may not accurately reflect the sound experienced by neighboring homes and businesses.

2. Rooftop Entertainment Must Remain Within City Noise Limits

Any rooftop entertainment, including live music, DJs, and amplified events, should be required to comply with Alexandria's existing noise ordinance and applicable sound limits at all times.

3. Hotel Heron Must Install a Modern Sound Management System

The hotel should be required to install and maintain a professional sound management system that:

- Continuously monitors sound levels during rooftop events.
- Automatically reduces volume if established limits are exceeded.
- Creates secure, tamper-resistant records of sound levels.
- Maintains records for future review.

Compliance should not depend solely on neighbors filing complaints after disturbances have already occurred.

4. Sound Monitoring Records Must Be Available in the Event of a Dispute

If questions or complaints arise, sound monitoring records should be available to City staff for review so that compliance can be verified using objective data rather than conflicting accounts.

Why This Matters

Opal Music Studio serves hundreds of Alexandria families each year. We teach music lessons, host performances, and provide a welcoming space where children, teens, and adults can learn and create.

We believe that Hotel Heron can be successful while also being a responsible neighbor. The conditions outlined above would provide accountability, transparency, and confidence that rooftop entertainment can coexist with the surrounding community.

We respectfully ask the City to include these requirements as conditions of any approval for expanded rooftop entertainment at Hotel Heron.

By signing below, I support these reasonable safeguards to protect neighboring businesses, residents, and community organizations while allowing Hotel Heron to continue operating successfully.

My name is Cathleen Phelps. My husband and I have lived at 514 Prince St for over 30 years, one block from the Hotel Heron which I can see from my garden, front steps, and bedroom. We've raised our family here and love being part of Old Town and supporting its local businesses. All of us were excited for the Heron to open. We were early customers at Good Fortune, the rooftop bar, enjoying wine and glorious sunsets. But when the live and amplified club music started and wouldn't stop, the Heron began to feel less like a fun part of the neighborhood and more like a rude neighbor.

For the better part of a year, I could hear the Heron's music in my garden, a block away, at the corner of Prince and S. Pitt, 2 blocks away, and inside my house with all of the doors and windows shut. **INSIDE MY HOUSE.** It made it hard to read, work, sleep, and generally relax. I logged noise complaints, initially thinking that the Heron would figure out how to manage their sound, but every time, a couple of weeks later, there would be another noise complaint to log. It was a long time before the amplified events were truly shut down. The reason there haven't been issues this past year is that the Heron hasn't hosted amplified music, not that they have figured out how to do it in compliance with their existing SUP.

For these reasons, I believe the City should deny the Heron's Special Use Permit today. I, and other neighbors, have no confidence the Hotel Heron will abide by any of the conditions of their permit because they didn't before. Our trust is broken.

Should the City decide to approve this SUP, there need to be further conditions as there is nothing but air between the Heron's rooftop and the corner of Prince and S. St. Asaph. It is a tough place to hold amplified performances without disturbing the peace.

- Amplified music and DJ events could be held INDOORS at the first-floor restaurant as was originally planned, and acoustic unplugged performances on the rooftop.
- I understand there is technological equipment that will monitor the noise level and cut it off when it's too loud for a certain period of time. Such tools could allow neighbors to enjoy their private outdoor and indoor spaces without hearing the Heron and make it easier to enforce the SUP.
- And certainly Sunday could be eliminated from the schedule. I cannot tell you how incongruous it is for the oon-ch-oon-ch-oonch nightclub beat to be going at a Sunday family dinner with my mom.

My family and I want Hotel Heron to be successful, and we want to be able to enjoy Good Fortune while we are on their premises, but not at the expense of enjoying our own home, garden, and neighborhood. Thank you for your consideration.

Name	Relationship to Opal (Parent, Student, Teacher, Alumni, Family Member, Neighbor)	Address	Signature
HANNATH MILLIAMS	OWNER	812 S. LEE	HM
Victoria Wood	Student	6044 the road	Victoria
JULIA AGUIVO	TEACHER	6726 W WAKEFIELD DR	Julia
Georgina Bouton	Student	709 H.W. Bliss Alexander	Georgina
SUJIN SHARMA	Parent	603 Candace Park	Sujin
Jeanne Barten	Parent	1116 Curtis	Jeanne
Annie Ryan	NANNY	6342 River Oaks Road	Annie
Janelle M. Bice	Parent	2908 Mesby St. ALEX	Janelle
Claire Pratt	parent	2101 CONNECT RD Nash DC 20008	Claire
Olivia Thompson	teacher	5306 Conroy Ln Alexandria, VA	Olivia
Alicia Woodberry	teacher	4642 Deer Gap Ct. Alexandria, VA 22306	Alicia
Gebe Ruzsniak	Student	NO	Gebe
Lucas Ruzsniak	Student	507 South Fairfax St.	Lucas
PIP RUSZNAK	Student	507 South FAIRFAX ST.	PIP

FRANK RUSZNAK	parent	" "	Frank
Claire Hobbie	Student	38 CANCEL ST Alexandria, VA	Claire
Amy Jenkins	parent	22 E Maple St.	Amy

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Jerry Jay	neighbor	438 Summers	Jerry Jay
Cary Vane	grandmother of a student	3205 W 8th Alexandria	Cary Vane
Vicki Chang	Parent	2056 Elmwood Ave 26. N. N. Fred	Vicki Chang
Lila Lela Strik	Grand mother		Lila Lela Strik
Brin Desai	Parent	9601 Major Oak St	Brin Desai
Lucy Desai	Parent	9601 Major Oak St	Lucy Desai
Emily Miller	Parent	1121 Oakley Pl	Emily Miller
KANTA HERRICK	Parent	7714 Haddon Lane	Kanta Herrick
Jessica Mancari	Parent	11111 Noral Pl	Jessica Mancari
Marianne Cheng	teacher	5447 S Utah St	Marianne Cheng
Jon McManis	friend	9091 Brookside St	Jon McManis
Ben Williams	Student		Ben Williams
Katie Dunn	Student	8809 Marlborough	Katie Dunn
Dorothy Coni	family	2300 Lakeshore Dr	Dorothy Coni

Joe Coni	family	2300 Lakeshore Dr	Joe Coni
Valerie DeThomaz	Family and City resident	1915 Main Line Blvd Unit 102, Alex, VA	V. DeThomaz
Curt Odey	resident, family	1820 Davis Ln Alex, VA 22007	Curt Odey

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Teri Gennarelli	Parent	524 W. Payne St Alexandria, 22304	Teri G
Jonathan Prather	Parent	1731 Chestnut Dr Alexandria, VA 22304	J Prather
Jennifer Galy	Parent	1202 Hilde Tr Alexandria 22302	J Galy
Russell Stoll	Parent	1702 Hilde Tr Alexandria, VA	R Stoll
Judy Adkins	Family Member	3737 Seminary Rd Alexandria, VA	Judy Adkins
Ruthanne Hobbs	Adult Student	3937 Seminary Rd Alexandria, VA	Ruthanne Hobbs
Gina Herskov	Parent	7141 Truitt Dr. Springfield, VA 22153	Gina Herskov
Kathy Oaks	Grand Parent	9815 Evelyn Ln Ft. 22032	Kathy Oaks
Wendy Owens	Parent	1213 Henry St Alexandria, VA	Wendy Owens
Jennifer Hale	Parent	3402 Alabama Ave Alexandria	Jennifer Hale
Hellene Plummer	Student	5645 Sycamore Ave Manassas, VA 20108	Hellene Plummer
FXO	G-P	4111 Woodbridge Fairfax, VA	FXO
Philip Gennarelli	Parent	1714 Lyndell Alexandria, VA 22304	Philip Gennarelli
Gary Edelblute	Parent	1224 Foundry Ln Alexandria, VA 22304	Gary Edelblute

Claudine Edelblute	Parent	1224 Foundry Ln Alex. VA 22304	C Edelblute
James Bush	Parent	4113 Green St Arlington, VA 22217	James Bush
Diane Grist	Parent	413 Green St Alex. VA 22314	Diane Grist

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Carriette	Parent	2103 Bassett St Alexandria, VA	
Ann Miller	Student	1014 Potomac Lane Alexandria, VA	
Janet Merritt	Parent	3808 Griffith Pl Alexandria, VA 22304	
Joshua Miller	Student	1616 Princess St Alexandria, VA 22304	
Vivienne Evans	Student	602 Park St.	
Yvonne Evans	Parent	"	
Garage Williams	Alumni	812 S. Lee St	
Meghan Lanning	Parent	1509 Russell Road	
Travis Jones	Student	18432 W. 1st Ave	
Karen Karon	Parent	6015 Woodmont Alexandria, VA	
Eva Kark	Parent	Alex, VA	
Nancy Merritt	Parent	212 S. Ditch	
Cecilia Burt	Parent	2611 Orlando Pl Alex. VA 22304	
Julie Johnson	Parent	Arlington, VA	

Sarah Berger	Teacher	2311 Augustus Ct Vienna, VA 22186	
Jack Elkhart	Student	1184 Rainforest Lane Alexandria	
Elva Moraz	Parent	622 Putnam Pl Alexandria, VA	

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Brodie Brown	Student	22 emale	Brodie
Arietta Chang	Student	206 N Alfred	Arietta
Rebecca Chang	parent	206 N Alfred	Rebecca
Langston Chang	Student	206 N Alfred	Langston
Tim Shueen	Parent	206 N Alfred	Tim
Kristina Rothman	Parent	1120 Prince	Kristina
KENNETH KAHUT	STUDENT	8302 Highway 21	Kenneth
Alison Lorenz	Student/parent	310 SEASAND #403	Alison
MICHAEL MYERS	Student	8018 Wellington N 22102	Michael
DEBORAH BUSH	Student	77% La Ave	Deborah
Alicia Serrano	Parent	233 Union	Alicia
Stevie	Student	401 Hwy St 2002	Stevie
Alysa Hanson	teacher	401 Hwy St	Alysa

Caitlin	Student		Caitlin
EMILY LITTE	Parent	421 Marshall St Alexandria, VA	Emily
Kate Vante	Student	1011 Vernon St Alexandria, VA	Kate

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Peter Schuler	father	20499 1307 Conestoga Pl	
Daniel Walker	Parent	6308 Old Lane Alexandria, VA 22307	
Robert & En King	Parent	1512 Alexandria	
A. Michael Srank	Father	217 S Fairfax Ave., VA 22314	
Virginia Srank	Student	217 S Fairfax Pl	
James Hight Thorne	Mom	"	
Alex Rubio	Neighbor	2095 Mason Ridge Ave	
James Allen	Student	501 High St	
Thomas Allen	Student	"	
Robert Fowler	Father	4 W Rosemont Ave Alex VA 22301	
Lara New York	Mom	14 Wakeford	
Richard Charles Srank	Student	2804 Old Dominion Ave	
Thomas Milla	Student	621 Oak Hill Ave	
Stella Miller	Student	↑	

Stella Miller	Parent	621 Oak Hill Ave 22301	
PHILLIP			
ELIZABETH	Parent	5750 Riverside Ave Alexandria	

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Samatha Shupen	student	80 N Columbus St	St H
Jessica Lank	Neighbor	818 S Lee St	for
Rosemary Penikese	student	410 N Alfred St	Ken
Rosemary	Parent	1403 B th	Rosemary
Kate Farrell	Grandparent	440 John Carlyle	Kate Farrell
Andrew Knapp	Parent	818 S Lee St	Andrew Knapp
Annette Brown	Parent	2200 Belle Haven	Ann
Hope Cooper	Parent	202 Jefferson St	Hope St. Cooper
Pauline Weaver	Parent	1121 Bartonwood Dr	Pauline Weaver
Chris Spar	Supporter	8206 Cannes Ct	Chris Spar
John Humes	Parent	210 Franklin St	John Humes
John Humes	Parent	9305 Maybrook	John Humes
Anne Miller	Parent	1014 Potomac	Anne Miller

Raja Puhla	Grandmother	same	
Jonathan Miller	Parent	1014 Potomac Alexandria VA	Jonathan Miller
Heather Massy	Parent	211 Gibson St Alex	Heather Massy

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Katie Schlot	parent	4215 Danks Ave	Katie
Stephie Harker	parent	111 E. 1st Ave	Steph
Carolina Sanchez	Parent	9300 Maybrook Pl	Carolina
DIEGO SALTIS	PARENT	1105 12th Ave SE	Diego
Ira Turkman	parent	1413 S. Gumbert	Ira
Michaela Englestad	Student	1011 Colebrook Dr	Michaela Englestad
Matt Englestad	Parent	1017 Dalebrook Dr	Matt
William McEach	PARENT	9300 Maybrook Pl	William
Karen Gindor	parent	1218 Kang Pl	Karen
Paul Gindor	Student	1218 Kang Pl	Paul
Nora Gindor	Student	1120 Prince St	Nora
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Karen Gindor	Parent	6403 15th St	Karen

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McKayla	Teacher	621 1st Ave SE	McKayla

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Robert Lee	Parent	185 W. Chafe St Alexandria, VA 22301	Robert Lee
Nor Argdour	Student		Nor Argdour
Uatt Joseph	Parent	370 W St Asaph	Uatt Joseph
Erin Pierce	Parent	203 N. Columbus St	Erin Pierce
Stewart Vance	Parent	23 N. Columbus St	Stewart Vance
Peter Taylor	Parent	735 Fords Bridge Way, Alexandria VA	Peter Taylor
N. Pilgrim	Parent	429 Monticello Dr Alex. VA 22305	N. Pilgrim
LaBurke	Grandma	3476 S (HARDY) Arlington VA	LaBurke
James Burke	Grandpa	Arlington VA	James Burke
Jacob Yeston	Parent + student	4500 Duffin Ave Alexandria, VA	Jacob Yeston
Murphy Michael	Grandparent	1109 Graham St Alexandria, VA 22305	Murphy Michael
Julie Birk	Grandparent	Centerville VA	Julie Birk

Alex Michel	Parent	165 Fairfax St Alexandria VA 22301	Alex Michel
Carly Michel	Parent	816 S Fairfax Alexandria VA 22314	Carly Michel
Chloe Michel	Sister of students	816 S Fairfax St Alexandria, VA 22314	Chloe Michel

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Christopher Brown	Parent	22 E. Myrtle St. Alexandria	[Signature]
John Howard	Parent	1149 Hamilton Ln 8302 Midwood St Alexandria	[Signature]
Kristin Elly	Grandparent	8302 Midwood St Alexandria VA	[Signature]
Marissa Garcia	Parent	301 S. 1st St Alexandria	[Signature]
Andrea Heyd	Parent	6006 Grove Drive Alexandria	[Signature]
Kathryn Miskel	Parent	1200 PISCATAWAY Alexandria VA	[Signature]
David Emerson	Parent	304 S. 1st St ALEX, VA 22301	[Signature]
Lance Hays	Parent	605 W. Windsor Ave Alexandria, VA 22302	[Signature]
Elias Hays	Student	605 W. Windsor Ave Alexandria, VA 22302	[Signature]
W. Michel	Student	516 S. 1st St Alexandria, VA	[Signature]
Lee Michel	Student	516 S. 1st St Alexandria, VA	[Signature]
Roger Miskel	Parent	1200 PISCATAWAY ALEXANDRIA VA	[Signature]
Sanjay Kumar	Parent	6006 Grove Dr Alex. VA 22307	[Signature]

Andrea Heyd	Parent	6006 Grove Dr Alex. VA 22307	[Signature]
Sanjay Kumar	Parent	6006 Grove Dr Alexandria, VA	[Signature]
Susan Hays	Parent	605 W. Windsor Ave Alexandria VA	[Signature]

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Dorothy Bush	Parent	25 E Masonic Valley Ave	
Renee Hline	Parent	20 N W	
James Hline	Parent	201 N W 1st	
Liz Kanyo	Friend	2927 Lakeland	
Leigh Egges	Parent	602 Fostine St	
Jonathan Lewis	Parent	275 North St.	
Sarah Holmgren	Parent	7124 Midway Ln	
Stephanie Kapsi	Parent	24 E Windsor Ave Alexandria	
Rita Hestinger	parent	8515 Deter Dr. Apt 2258 VA	
Cara Klapka	parent	2215 Raven Hill Alexandria, VA 22304	
Orent Perry	parent	2805 Central Ave Alexandria VA	
Mary Perry	parent	2805 Central Ave	
George Perry	student	2805 Central Ave	
Susan Kapsis	grandparent	1813 Brown Green Dr	

Bridget Floyd	Student	—	
Joshua Ferrentis	Parent	300 Summers Dr.	
Lindsay Ammons	Parent	1130 Michouds Ln.	

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Jennifer Rivers	Parent	8520 Westover Ct, Springfield VA	Jennifer Rivers
Emma Rivers	Student	↓	Emma Rivers
JJ Davis	Family member		JJ Davis
Tara Hurst	Parent	3811 White Pkwy Alexandria VA 22304	Tara Hurst
Avery Tachibana	Family member	↓	Avery Tachibana
Jarrett Jacob	Family member	↓	Jarrett Jacob
Nihal Harne	Parent	814 Green St	Nihal Harne
Wesley Rose	Parent	814 Green	Wesley Rose
Hex Rutherford	Parent	110 W Main St Alexandria VA 22304	Hex Rutherford
Mae Johnson	Parent	107 E Myrtle St	Mae Johnson
Sara Orrick	Parent	"	Sara Orrick
Ben Lawrence	Parent	1113 Green St Alex	Ben Lawrence
Julia Allen	parent	6500 Buckhorn Alexandria	Julia Allen
Paul Miller	Parent	1114 Antares St Alex VA 22304	Paul Miller

Reagan Moore	Parent	1105 Dartmouth Rd Alex, VA 22304	Reagan Moore
Stacey Moore	Parent	4002 Pine Avenue Alexandria 22304	Stacey Moore
Zachary Carter	Parent	18 Camrose St	Zachary Carter
Chris King	Parent	308 Landon Pl ALX 22314	Chris King

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Paul Ward		2207 Paul Spring Ave.	Paul Ward
Caroline Schep	Student	6015 Pauline St 22314	Caroline Schep
Nathaniel S.	Student?	9019 Gough St 22314	Nathaniel S.
Clifford Higdon	Alumni	1827 Forester blvd 22152	Clifford Higdon
Kristen Ajou	Student	815 N. PATRICK ST ALEXANDRIA 22304	Kristen Ajou
Aaron Baxter	Student	3617 Oxford	Aaron Baxter
Giovanni L.L.	Alum.	2211 1/2 Ave	Giovanni L.L.



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[EXTERNAL]Resident Petition regarding Hotel Heron SUP 2026-0009 Application

From Virginia Bennett <vibennett@gmail.com>**Date** Fri 6/12/2026 8:22 AM**To** CouncilComment@alexandriava.gov <CouncilComment@alexandriava.gov>

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Dear City Clerk,

Please distribute the attached petition to the Mayor and Members of City Council and enter it into the record for tomorrow's public hearing on Special Use Permit #2026-00009, the request for outdoor live entertainment at 699 Prince Street (Hotel Heron).

The petition carries the signatures of 33 residents of neighboring and surrounding blocks who oppose the application as submitted.

As the staff report itself documents, the rooftop operation has an existing record of noise complaints and confirmed violation of the conditions of its existing SUP #2018-00064. We do not believe the proposed conditions adequately protect the peaceful enjoyment of our homes in this mixed use community.

Several signatories (including myself) have registered to speak at the hearing. We respectfully ask that Council deny the application or, if inclined to approve, substantially strengthen safeguards regarding hours, amplification limits, and enforcement mechanisms, before any approval.

Many thanks for your assistance.

Respectfully,

Virginia Bennett 208 S Saint Asaph Street

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We are community residents who live, vote, and in many cases work in the City of Alexandria. We oppose SUP #2026-00009 which would permit rooftop live music at Hote Heron at 699 Prince Street, without adequate protections for residents.

Signed: Jane Dunning

Name: JANE DUNNING

Address: 320 South Lee St

Best contact info: janebdunning@gmail.com

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Signed:

Name: Kathleen Allegrone

Address: 215 Montgomery St, Alexandria

Best contact info: 571-882-8940

Name: Charles Allegrone

Address: 215 Montgomery St, Alexandria

Best contact info: 571-882-4391

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Signed:

Name: Jamie Smith

Address: 400 S Fairfax St Alex.

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Name: MATTHEW C. SMITH

Address: 400 S. FAIRFAX ST

Best contact info: smith703@gmail.com

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Signed:

Name: MARY CALVERT

Address: 214 WOLFE ST

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Name: Elisabeth Millard

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Name: Elizabeth Heiss

Address: 207 Jefferson St Alexandria Va 22314

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Name: Blair Blake

Address: 213 Wolfe St.

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Signed: *Susan H. Oswald*

Name: Susan H. Oswald

Address: 832 S Lee Street, Alexandria, VA 22314

Best contact info: susan.oswald@gmail.com

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Signed:

Name: Jean Neitzke

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Name: Ron Neitzke

Address: 417 S. St. Asaph St.

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