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Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation

March 24, 2015

Mayor Michael B. Hancock
Members of Denver City Council
Stacie Loucks, Director of the Department of Excise and Licenses
City and County of Denver

Re: Entertainment Districts in Denver

Dear Mayor Hancock, Members of City Council and Ms. Loucks,

Upon recommendation of the INC Zoning and Planning Committee, the INC delegates voted in January at the INC monthly meeting to approve the following Resolution. The vote was 35 in favor, 11 opposed and 3 abstaining.

INC Resolution on Entertainment Districts in Denver

Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation strongly urges City Council, the Mayor and the Department of Excise and Licenses not to allow the establishment of any "entertainment districts" in the City and County of Denver. Entertainment districts are authorized by Colorado Revised Statutes 12-47-301. If approved by City Council and licensed by the Department of Excise and Licenses, such districts could allow service and consumption of alcohol later than 2:00am 365 days per year and would allow patrons to carry and consume alcohol anywhere within the designated entertainment district, which could be up to 100 acres and could contain several different liquor-licensed establishments. INC believes that the resulting late-night/ early-morning noise, over-consumption of alcohol and safety problems would severely harm the quality of life of residents in or near such entertainment districts. In addition, enforcement against such problems within entertainment districts would be much more difficult if two or more liquor-licensed establishments contribute to such problems.

Thank for your attention and consideration of this important public policy and public safety issue.

Respectfully submitted by:

President, INC