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RE: *Application for Special Use Permit*

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing on behalf of Walgreen Co. in support of the application for a special use permit for the addition of accessory "off-sale" packaged beer, wine, and liquor at the premises of Walgreens at 8500 West Cheyenne Avenue. The location is currently operating and licensed as a drug store.

This location is zoned C-1, Limited Commercial. The proposed sale of packaged liquor will not adversely affect nearby properties, as this store is intersected by two major thoroughfares – Cheyenne Avenue and Durango Drive – and is adjacent to commercial and public facility uses. The nearby residential areas are adequately buffered by Cheyenne Avenue and a flood channel. There are other businesses in the general area that sale alcohol, including a convenience store, so the proposed use would not be unique to the area. The site also currently complies with all other requirements pursuant to the City of Las Vegas Municipal Code.

With this special use permit, Walgreens will remain competitive with similar businesses by offering patrons the option to purchase packaged beer, wine, or liquor for consumption off-premises. Since this use is commonly found at drug and retail grocery stores in Las Vegas, there would be no variable impact on other businesses by

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allowing Walgreens to sell alcohol for the convenience of its customers at this location.

Walgreens will continue to maintain its high-level standard of operations, and the design, hours of operation, traffic generation, lighting, and noise at this location will remain unchanged with the issuance of a special use permit to allow for accessory packaged beer, wine, and liquor sales. Also, the location will not devote more than 10% of the retail floor space to the display or merchandising of alcoholic beverages.

Furthermore, Walgreen Co. is a well-established national company with shares traded on the New York Stock Exchange. The company has over 60 stores in southern Nevada that maintain a low impact on neighboring properties.

As Walgreens is currently operating and the addition of packaged beer, wine, and liquor for sale is compatible with the surrounding area, we respectfully request a special use permit for the addition of accessory "off-sale" packaged beer, wine, and liquor sales.

Please call me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Roberts

cc: Ms. Rebecca Lidskin

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