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Zoning Board of Appeals Boston City Hall, Room 204 One City Hall Plaza Boston, Ma. 02201

To Whom it May Concern,

At the February 7, 2007 meeting of the Eight Streets Neighborhood Association, Mr Richard Gordon and his lawyer presented his plans for wanting to expand his existing restaurant, The Buttery, located at 314 Shawmut Ave, Boston, MA. He came to the monthly association meeting to ask for our support for expanding into the space next door (currently an architect office) to increase seating capacity at street level and add additional cooking and kitchen space in the lower level.

Mr. Gordon's concept is to maintain the existing business and expand his evening menu to offer moderately priced dining options. Mr Gordon did not present any architectural plans at the meeting. At this point s he was trying to gather neighborhood support prior to making the investments in architecting the floor plan. However they did say seating capacity would increase from 27 to 54. They also presented that they would like to remain open late in order to serve neighbors looking for a late night dinner.

The Eight Streets Membership voted to support the restaurant expansion of the Buttery.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns on this subject.

Thank you.

Yours,

Heather Slaby Secretary Eight Streets Neighborhood Association

CC: Mr Richard Gordon, The Buttery, 314 Shawmut Ave, Boston, MA