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Sent: 26 November 2015 15:40
To: M&CP - Licensing
Subject: Humble Grape, 1 St Bride's Passage, London EC4Y 8LJ - Premises Licence Application

Dear Sirs

I was very pleased to hear that a Premises Licence is being applied for in respect of the empty wine bar premises at 1 St Bride's Passage. The property has been vacant for more than two years and it is unfortunate that such a good space has been unused and untouched for so long.

I am also very encouraged that the Humble Grape is, in my opinion, exactly the sort of wine bar that the area needs. There are numerous pubs and generic wine bars, as well as sandwich bars and coffee shops in the EC4 location, but nothing quite like the Humble Grape, which sounds to me like a high-quality establishment appealing to those who enjoy a good glass of wine rather than those who simply wish to stand outside in the street, blocking thoroughfares, talking loudly and leaving cigarette butts and litter behind, as is the case in certain other pubs and bars nearby.

St Bride's is very keen to build up good reciprocal relationships with its neighbours and we feel strongly that the Humble Grape would be an asset to the neighbourhood; I am therefore in support of the Licence application.

Yours faithfully,
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