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Subject: Chicago Booth Late night alcohol license - Objection
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THIS IS AN EXTERNAL EMAIL

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing in my capacity of resident and leasehold owner of Apartment [REDACTED] Percivall House, 64 Bartholomew Close, EC1A 7BF.

I refer to the application submitted by the University of Chicago Booth School of Business to permit the all day and late-night (9am-3am) (1) sale of alcohol; (2) provision of late night hot food or drink off or on premises; and (3) entertainment including live music, dance and other performance (the "Application").

I am writing to object to this application on the grounds of public nuisance. Approving the Application will pose a material risk to the residential nature of the Bartholomew Close and in particular, its quietness - a material reason which attracted its 230+ residents, including myself, to Barts Square in the first place.

My flat directly looks onto the Bartholomew courtyard area and the entrance of the University. Due to the surroundings and concave-nature of the courtyard, any sound made in the open courtyard travels and is greatly heightened, particularly at nighttime.

As such, any sounds made by any late-night attendees leaving/entering the University would highly likely cause disturbance and noise nuisance to residents (in particular those who overlook the courtyard area, like myself), causing an infringement on our right to quiet enjoyment. A crowd is not required to cause such disturbance - any one or two noisy person(s) would suffice. Furthermore, any consumption of late night drinks or food off the premises would highly likely be done in said courtyard, resulting in more risk of noise and disturbance, as well as difficulty to control and manage.

I do not consider the sale of alcohol, late night hot food and drink and/or entertainment (crucially, every day of the week until 3am) appropriate (nor standard) for the purposes of running a business school. Due to the perpetual nature of licenses, the granting of the Application by the City of London would pose a larger public nuisance risk should any drinking establishment take over and assume the license.

I urge the City of London consider these above points and reject the Application in its entirety.

Yours sincerely

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