**Application reference number: House of Trance 2021/547209/07**

Your full name

Address

Contact telephone number

Email address

To: Liquor Licensing Office - Johannesburg Region

Gauteng Department of Economic Development

2nd floor 124 Main Street, Johannesburg

And to Bothakga Marketing Solutions (applicant’s agent : thandymoll@gmail.com)

**OBJECTION: Restaurant liquor license application in for House of Trance, Suite 203, 26 Gleneagles Rd, Greenside**

I am objecting to the above application for a restaurant (or any other) liquor licence for the following reasons:

**(Please use your own words and add any concerns or thoughts you may have)**

1. Problems associated with the current business node and lack of adequate oversight and law enforcement by municipal and provincial authorities.

*Over recent years the Greenside business node has suffered badly as a result of many contraventions of zoning, building, health and safety bylaws and of liquor license laws. This includes venues trading as clubs and bars using restaurant liquor licenses, and venues selling alcohol without valid liquor licenses. Despite the lockdown there are ongoing and worsening problems with noise disturbances, drunken patrons, environmental pollution, traffic and parking chaos at night, drag racing, “car boot parties” on Gleneagles and Greenway roads. The residents of Greenside have been appealing for many years to the Liquor Board and local authorities to do more to address the problem activities.*

*As a result of this residents of Greenside have been driven away from the business area and this causes damage to legitimate business and harms day-time trade. An additional venue serving alcohol would simply add to the problems.*

2. Excessive number of restaurants on the strip already, disproportionate to the number and types of other businesses, and most already struggling to attract customers. *There does not appear to be any need for this business, and contrary to the application, there is no evidence that this business would be beneficial to the suburb*

3. Ongoing problems with insufficient parking and traffic problems along Gleneagles Rd will be made worse by an additional restaurant.

4. The name, design, layout, branding and advertising of the business is that of a club or bar not a restaurant.

*5.* The large outdoor, second story balcony that is the smoking area will likely prove an additional noise disturbance to the people living nearby.

**NAME :**

**SIGNATURE :**