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Dear Sir/Madam

Applicant; Samy (County) Ltd Address: 170-178 Evington Road

Deadline for representation: 14 January 2025

Has applied to vary the license to

- Sell alcohol between 06:00 and midnight
- Allow Late Night Refreshment between 23:00 and midnight.

I wish to object to both these applications.

This premises was a Cooperative Store until very recently. It is now Morrisons Daily. Its external signage says that it is now open 24 hours a day 7 days a week. I am a longstanding member and former chair of ERNA the Evington Road Neighbourhood Association. At our monthly meeting last week our members were of the opinion that there is no

good reason for this business to trade later than 11pm in the interests of residential amenity, and certainly not for the sale of alcohol for these extended hours. The grounds of our objection are the prevention of crime and disorder, the prevention of public nuisance and the promotion of public safety.

The side streets off Evington Road are densely packed Victorian terraced houses. Evington Road already attracts customers as a late-night/early-morning venue for fast food either in situ or home delivered. The abundance of businesses trading late at night adversely affects the amenity of nearby residents by the nuisance of late night noise, smells, littering and adds to the existing parking problems especially customer's cars parking illegally and mopeds, ebikes and pedal bikes used by delivery drivers who gather in clusters along Evington Road waiting for orders. These nuisances are worse in summer when local residents and their families are trying to sleep and are more likely to have their windows open. These existing nuisances would be exacerbated if these applications were permitted.

This late-night economy has not, until this application, included establishments selling alcohol. However it already attracts crime and disorder to the area with fights, stabbings and, in one recent incident, a drive-by shooting. Adding the sale of alcohol would be likely to cause more such problems and would add street drinking problems if these license conditions were granted. Also low-level anti-social behaviour such as groups of people gathering on street corners talking and sometimes drinking would be encouraged which is intimidating for many residents. Local people especially women can feel unsafe being outside their homes late at night.

I hope you will give consideration to the views of many local residents and refuse these applications.

