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RE: Mod2023/0684 - 1193 Barrenjoey Road PALM BEACH NSW 2108

Attn: Adam Croft
Principal Planner
Northern Beaches Council
1 Park Street
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Dear Sir,

RE: Mod2023/0684 - modification of approved hours of operation for 1193 Barrenjoey Road, Palm Beach (The Boathouse)

I am the owner of 2 Waratah Road, Palm Beach, the first residence located south from the Boathouse site on Station Beach and therefore in a good position to make an assessment on the proposed extended operating hours from 7.00am-4.00pm (9 hours) to 7.00am-11.00pm (16 hours).

My family object to the proposed extension to operating hours which will significantly increase the level of noise and disturb the amenity of those living and residing nearby.

It is a matter of fact that when the previous operator held late night events on Friday and Saturday nights that the level of noise impacted local residents. The waterfrontage location of the Boathouse amplifies the sound down the estuary beach very clearly and consequently the repetitive, loud and unrelenting sound bounces off the water and adversely impacts the resident's amenity, far further than the applicant would admit. Given the impact, extending the operating hours by seven hours to 11.00pm seven days a week is plainly unreasonable. Furthermore, the applicant's process of submitting a modification for significantly increasing the operating hours and retrospectively changing what has already been agreed to with stakeholders including Council is a disingenuous display of the applicant's disregard for the local residents and community.

We have received no consultation from the Boathouse for what might be agreeable operating hours and certainly do not agree to the material variation in operating hours sought under this modified DA.

We hope Council will take consideration of this objection when assessing the application.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Kovacs
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