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To:	Planning Panels - Northern Beaches
Subject:	MOD2023/0684 - Barrenjoey Boatshed
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Dear panel,

Please see attached letter regarding Application No. MOD2023/0684

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Barrenjoey Boatshed Pty Ltd ACN 669 506 165

11 March 2024

Development Determination Panel

Northern Beaches Council

By Email: planningpanels@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au

Dear Panel,

RE: APPLICATION NO. MOD2023/0684 - 1191 BARRENJOEY ROAD PALM BEACH & 1193 BARRENJOEY ROAD PALM BEACH

MODIFICATION OF DEVELOPMENT CONSENT DA2021/0669

We refer to the above application which is being considered by the Development Determination Panel (the *Panel*) on 13 March 2024.

Barrenjoey Boatshed Pty Ltd ACN 669 506 165 (the *Operator*) is the owner of the business operating at the site known as the Boathouse Palm Beach.

The purpose of this short letter is to emphasise what we consider to be overwhelming community support for the approval of Development Consent to MOD2023/0684, which would be an outcome consistent with the current recommendation published in the agenda for the meeting to be held by the Panel on 13 March 2024.

We are compelled to make this final submission because of the repeated, though predominantly unsuccessful, attempts of Mr Stephen Jones to garner community opposition to the approval, and his ongoing attempts in the meantime to contact, and criticise, the Operator. In doing so we take great comfort in Council's comprehensive consideration of the various assessment issues and, importantly, that of the 139 submissions relating to the opening hours, 132 were in support.

We understand that yesterday afternoon Mr Jones circulated further email correspondence to numerous local residents, in which he asked those residents to provide written submissions to the Panel opposing the approval by the close of business today. In doing so Mr Jones made further claims about the impact of the noise at the venue, and continued his campaign generally against us as the Operator (which we have endured for many months).

We trust that the unanimous support from Council's Internal Referral Bodies (having completed their respective comprehensive assessments of the impact of the proposed trading hours), coupled with the vast number of submissions in support from local residents (including close neighbours of Mr Jones), will temper the energetic opposition from Mr Jones which, in any case, we consider to be without proper foundation. Having regard to the history of this matter and all of the facts before the Panel we genuinely believe that refusal of Development Consent to MOD2023/0684 would be quite unreasonable.

It is worth noting that as the Operator we are very comfortable with and in support of the conditions currently proposed by Council relating to the external speakers and noise limiter to ensure acoustic compliance and a suitable acoustic environment at the site.

Please advise us if there is any further assistance we can provide before the Development Determination Panel meeting on 13 March 2024, at which time we are hopeful the application will be approved.

Yours faithfully

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Ben May

Robert Domjen