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RICHMOND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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March 21st 2023

Julietta Walton Augusta-Richmond County Planning and Development 1850 Marvin Griffin Rd Augusta, Ga. 30906

Re: 3054 Damascus Road Augusta GA (Level 9)

Ms. Julietta Walton

On March 21st at approximately 0100 hours a shooting occurred in side the club located at 3054 Damascus Road (level 9). Three victims were shot by unknown persons who began shooting for an unknown reason. The three victims in this case advised they were not involved in any altercations but victims of a shooter firing his weapon indiscriminately inside a night club. While photographing the scene, Inv. Brown noted the entire business smelled of marijuana and smoke. Inv. Brown observed the floor was riddled with trash and beer bottles. Amongst the trash were multiple plastic baggies throughout the business with marijuana/narcotics residue in them. Inv. Brown observed several areas of tobacco and blunt wrappers where subjects were rolling marijuana blunts/cigarettes throughout the business. Inv. Brown observed several ashtrays and ashes throughout the business and on tables that contained tobacco and marijuana residue. Inv. Brown noted the owner of the business was casually sitting at a table that was covered in marijuana residue, watching television. The night club does have security and an off-duty officer but this has not detoured these types of incident from occurring inside the bar. On January 24th of this year an altercation took place inside the bar which resulted in two people being stabbed. On September 28th 2021 a shooting occurred in the parking lot of the club which resulted in the death of a patron another being shot in the leg and one the bars security officers being shot in the hand. In addition to these events there have been 5 simple battery cases, battery cases, a kidnapping and sodomy case, as well as a trafficking cocaine case between the years of 2020 and 2023. Due to these events it is our belief that if this bar continues operating in this manner it will only result in additional assaults which the Sheriff's office would like to prevent.

Please consider this a formal request to bring 3054 Damascus Road Augusta GA (Level 9) before the Augusta Richmond County Commission to have their Alcohol license considered to be revoked.

Respectfully Inv. Jose Ortiz