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Re: Application of Shophouse, LLC
BZA Application No. 18402
Withdrawal of Request for Party Status

Dear Chairman Jordan and Members of the Board:

On behalf of our client, FAPFABI, LLC (an affiliate of EastBanc, Inc.) ("EastBanc"), India Palace LLC (d/b/a Taj of India Restaurant), P&P Corporation (d/b/a La Chaumiere Restaurant), and Lobos, Inc. (d/b/a Don Lobos Restaurant (collectively, "Square 1212 Restaurants"), all of whom filed a request for party status in the above-referenced case on September 10, 2012, we hereby *withdraw* said request and wish to note for the Board our *support* of Application No. 18402 (the "Application").

The majority of EastBanc's and Square 1212 Restaurants' concerns over the Application related potential adverse impacts created by Shophouse's proposed use of the alley located behind the Subject Property, which provides access for deliveries and trash removal to all of the restaurant operators in the eastern half of Square 1212. Over the course of the last week, EastBanc, Square 1212 Restaurants, and Shophouse have worked diligently to reach a private agreement over maintaining access to each of these restaurants through the alley, and have committed to work together on issues such as pest control management and coordination of deliveries, minimizing the potential for any adverse impacts created by the proposed use.

Shophouse has responded to all of EastBanc's and 1212 Restaurants' concerns and, as a result, we now fully support the application. Accordingly, we hereby **withdraw** our Request for Party Status in opposition to Case No. 18402, and urge you to approve Shophouse's request for special exception and variance relief.

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Sincerely,

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