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COMMON THEORY ON CONVOY SELECTED AS SMALL BUSINESS OF THE WEEK

Each week Councilmember Cate to select a small business located in District 6 to be honored as Small Business of the Week

San Diego, CA: Today Councilmember Chris Cate announced Common Theory Public House to be *Small Business of the Week*. Small businesses located within District 6 are eligible to receive a Certificate of Recognition each week of 2022.

“In its eight years of operation, Common Theory Public House has become a social hub for San Diego locals, bringing a burst of energy and growth to the Convoy District. Owners Cris Liang and Joon Lee have made a deep impression on the surrounding community, and Common Theory’s ongoing success in the wake of the pandemic speaks to that,” **said Councilmember Chris Cate**. “Liang and Lee’s passion for great food and craft beer is undeniable, and they have created an authentic space where any and all customers, whether they are mechanics, nurses, or those in business, are welcome to relax and enjoy. Congratulations to this Small Business of the Week, Common Theory!”

Owners and childhood friends Cris Liang and Joon Lee opened [Common Theory Public House](#) in 2014. Deliberately choosing the Convoy District of Kearny Mesa where Liang and Lee grew up, they wanted to honor their “common” interests of craft beer and great food. Common Theory has been described as an “elevated gastropub,” focused on providing a variety of beverages and a menu representing Liang and Lee’s Chinese, Mexican, and Korean heritage. With live music on their outside patio every other Saturday evening and an annual BREW Battles Competition, the folks at Common Theory have found inventive ways to engage the local community. Building on Common Theory’s success, Liang and Lee have branched out beyond craft beer. Right next door to Common Theory is the Realm of 52 Remedies, which opened in 2018. Also honoring their diverse heritage, the Realm of 52 Remedies provides Asian-inspired cocktails in a cozy speakeasy setting. Liang and Lee’s long-term vision is for the Convoy District to become more accessible to the surrounding community, working with fellow entrepreneurs and Convoy residents to bring in new businesses, make the area more pedestrian-friendly, and eliminate the limited parking obstacles.

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