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To the Honorable, the
City Council of San Diego

Gentlemen:

Finding myself unable to be at the meeting of protest, at your Council Chamber, when the question of license for one Mr. Malcom to conduct a Dance Hall at 4862 Voltaire Street, Ocean Beach, comes up, but wishing to be represented, I ask the opportunity of expressing herewith my request that the license to continue be withheld.

I am a property owner in that block, owning a large double stucco immediately back of him and another cottage adjoining that besides the unimproved property adjoining him to the west, upon which I have been planning to build when conditions improved somewhat. Further, I hold the slightly corner of Lotus and Cable four doors away, also intended for improvement. My taxes and assessments annually far exceed Mr. Malcom's and I have assisted materially in improving this block in the 23 years during which I have had property there. My taxes to the city have been heavy as have the repair and upkeep of the buildings, and I have found it difficult over long periods of the depression to keep my places rented to the class of folks that make good tenants.

The noise of dancing, music, loud laughter and talking, and the loud discordant braying of starters and motors in the small hours of early morning within a few feet of one's bedroom window is not desirable to tenants and if the place is permitted to continue my tenants have stated they will move, a most distressing loss and making the paying of taxes and assessments a very difficult matter.

No such disturbing affair should be permitted in a residential neighborhood where worthy citizens have invested in homes and are honorably striving to secure a small return upon those investments that they may in turn pay the taxes, now none too light, that are needed to carry on the affairs of this growing city.

There may be renters of the neighborhood who are not, seemingly, averse to a dance hall in their vicinity, but let me state they are not the real sufferers. They may move and do move at will. It is the property owner who comes in for the losses and of late he has had sufficient of them without having a heavier, unnecessary burden to bear.

To you, the pledged custodians of the rights and welfare of San Diego's citizenship and property owners, I wish to join my earnest protest with those of my neighbors against the granting of a continued license to operate a dance hall at the place in question.

Respectfully

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FILE NO.

June 6, 1934

Mr. Marshall Malcolm
4896 Voltaire Street
Ocean Beach, California

Dear Sir:

We have been retained by certain property owners on Voltaire Street, Ocean Beach, to make such opposition as may be necessary to prevent the opening of a dance hall or pavilion as proposed by you. You will please take notice from this letter that this action is being or is about to be taken, and that any investments that you make in the nature of fixtures or equipment must be at the peril of a revocation of your permit, should the property owners petition and other action prove successful.

Very truly yours,

LIGGETT & LIGGETT

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PLEASE QUOTE OUR FILE NUMBER

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ALLEN H. WRIGHT City Clerk

By FRED W. SICK Deputy

PETITION

OPPOSING DANCE HALL LICENSE

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TO the HONORABLE MAYOR

and

**COMMON COUNCIL of the
CITY OF SAN DIEGO, CALIF.**