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Leeds District Licensing Department

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27<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Entertainment Licensing Section Leeds City Council Civic Hall Leeds LS1 1UR

#### OBJECTION NOTICE: VARY PREMISES LICENCE - DESIGNATED PREMISES SUPERVISOR: SECTION 37(5) & 37(6) LICENSING ACT 2003

### <u>PREMISES:</u> Mama Rose Food and Wine, 23 Compton Road, Leeds, LS9 7BJ <u>PROPOSED PREMISES SUPERVISOR</u>: Karwan Saleh

I PC Haywood as a Leeds District Licensing Officer for West Yorkshire Police serve notice of objection to this application.

If granted, West Yorkshire Police are satisfied that the exceptional circumstances of the case would undermine the crime prevention objective, for the following reasons:

Mama Rose is subject to an application to revoke the licence under the prevention of crime and disorder, and public safety objectives.

On the 27<sup>th</sup> March 2023, HMRC Officers visited the shop. They found cigarettes and tobacco they believed had not had valid duty paid on them as it was missing correct duty labelling. Karwan Saleh was present and identified himself as the director ,and states he bought the goods every 2-3 days from a van, received no invoices and paid in cash. There was also large amounts of alcohol without correct invoices. This was seized as it was believed no excise duty had been paid for the goods.

Trading Standards Officers visited the store on the 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2023, and found tobacco and cigarettes concealed in a chimney breast inside the premises which were illicit. There were also vapes on site that were not compliant with regulations. Karwan Saleh attended and identified himself as the owner and director of the business.

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There have also been failed test purchases of illicit cigarettes on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> of October 2023 whilst the premises was under Karwan Saleh's ownership and leadership.

Karwan Saleh is not a fit and proper person to be nominated as a designated premises supervisor having engaged and/or permitted deliberate criminality whilst running Mama Rose Food and Wine.

Therefore, West Yorkshire Police would ask any presiding sub-committee at a hearing, to refuse this application outright with a view to promoting the licensing objectives.

Leeds District Licensing Officer. West Yorkshire Police.

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