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April 20, 2026

Uptown Pub & Grill  
Ronald J Guarascio Jr.  
1510 Junction Ave.  
Racine, WI 53403

Ronald J Guarascio Jr.  
6522 62<sup>nd</sup> Ave.  
Kenosha, WI 53142

Dear Mr. Guarascio Jr.:

Please be informed that the Public Safety and Licensing Committee of the Common Council of the City of Racine will meet at 5:00 P.M., on Wednesday, April 29, 2026, in room 303, City Hall, pursuant to a formal expression of concern issued against you as it relates to the licensed premises located at 1510 Junction Ave., Racine, WI, 53403, under section 6-27 of the City of Racine Code of Ordinances. Specifically, the relevant issues include but are not limited to the following incidents:

**03/21/2026 – Uptown Pub & Grill – 1510 Junction Ave** - Officers conducted a tavern check at the location. This check resulted in no violations being addressed. **26-013474**

**03/21/2026 – Uptown Pub & Grill – 1510 Junction Ave** - Officers were dispatched in reference to an unwanted party. Party left prior to police arrival. A license premise report was completed and no violations were observed. **26-013632**

**03/22/2026 – Uptown Pub & Grill – 1510 Washington Ave** - Officers were dispatched in reference to 40 people physically fighting outside the bar. Upon officers arrival, a fight was not observed. A license premise report was completed with no violations observed. **26-013677**

**03/28/2026 – Uptown Pub & Grill – 1510 Washington Ave** - Officers responded to the bar for a report of a fight. Prior to officers arriving on scene, the problem parties left. A license premise check was completed during which it was found that the bartender on duty did not possess nor could verify if they had a bartending license. A citation was issued for the related offense. **26-014772**

**04/05/2026 – Uptown Pub & Grill – 1510 Washington Ave** - Officers were dispatched in reference to shots fired. Officers located a scene consisting of spent casing in the 1500B of Junction Ave. As officers arrived on scene, multiple people were leaving the area and some with firearms. A party was struck by gun fire. Investigation is on going in reference to the incident. **26-016431**

**04/05/2026 – Uptown Pub & Grill – 1510 Washington Ave** - Officers were dispatched in reference to a fight call. Officers did not observe an active fight and a license premise report was completed. **26-017703**

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Please be informed that the **AGENT'S APPEARANCE IS MANDATORY** and failure to appear may result in a suspension or revocation of your license.

If you have any questions, please call our office at 636-9171.

Sincerely,

Noemi Zavala  
Customer Service Specialist II  
City of Racine

Sec. 6-27. - Actions by the committee.

(a) Formal expression of concern. (1) The public safety and licensing committee may require the appearance of any licensee before the committee at any time to address issues related to the licensed premises through a written formal expression of concern, sent via first class mail to the licensee. (2) If the licensee fails to appear for the formal expression of concern, the committee may refer the matter to the city attorney's office for consideration of further disciplinary action. (3) If the licensee appears for the formal expression of concern, no discussion of the alleged facts may be permitted unless the licensee requests such discussion and only after the licensee has been advised that any statements made by him or her and/or his or her representatives regarding the alleged underlying facts may be considered by the due process board in any subsequent suspension/revocation hearing which may result from the alleged violations which are the subject of the formal expression of concern. (b) Referral for disciplinary proceedings. (1) Any licensee who has been issued two formal expressions of concern within a six month period, or three or more formal expressions of concern within a one year period, shall be referred to the city attorney's office for consideration of further disciplinary proceedings as contemplated under section 6-26 of this Code. For purposes of this section, the date the committee votes to issue a formal expression of concern shall be the date used to calculate any time period prescribed. (2) Nothing in this section shall be construed to conflict with, abridge or modify, the rights or procedures established for revocation or suspension of licenses in Wis. Stats. § 125.12 provided there is cause for disciplinary proceedings under the relevant ordinances or statutes.