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Hello, To whom it may concern:

As the city takes a hard look at evaluating the appropriateness of commissions I'd like to share my perspective on the Entertainment Commission (EC).

Prior to the EC I was actually the person on behalf of the police department that addressed these matters. So I am intimately familiar with the role of Entertainment in a densely populated city. Once the decision was made to create the EC I was on the transition team representing the Police Department (PD).

Over the years I subsequently became a EC commissioner. I think the EC brings value. I do think it may be daunting to have them do both enforcement and licensing but I feel given circumstances they do a fair job. I dense city like SF with close to 4000 liquor licenses and many entertainment outlets needs oversight. We have a delicate balance between residence enjoying the quite enjoyment of their home and at the same time being a world class entertainment destination.

Having a dedicated team I think helps maintain that find balance. I feel in the end if the EC was disbanded it would have an immediate and negative impact on nightlife and residence.

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