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City Attorney

March 24, 2020

**Via Hand Delivery**

251 Rhode Island Street, LLC  
Attn: Carol Chiantelli,  
Agent for Service of Process  
1080 Chestnut Street, #9A  
San Francisco, CA 94109

Re: Violation of Local Health Emergency Order at 251 Rhode Island Street, San Francisco, California.

Dear Property Owner:

The San Francisco City Attorney's Office has discovered that your property located at 251 Rhode Island Street, in San Francisco, California has been advertised as the site of an illegal party taking place this Friday March 27, 2020 from 9 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. Two hundred tickets for this event titled, "Lehar (Afterlife, Multinotes, Diynamic)," are currently being sold through Eventbrite.

This event poses a dire threat to public health and safety, given the COVID-19 pandemic, and is illegal. On March 4, 2020, the Governor of California proclaimed a state of emergency due to the threat posed by COVID-19. On March 6, 2020, San Francisco's Local Health Officer declared a local health emergency under section 101080 of the California Health and Safety Code due to the same threat. On March 16, 2020, San Francisco's Local Health Officer issued a Shelter In Place Order ("SIP"), requiring all individuals to remain in their homes, except to engage in essential activities. (A copy is attached.) The SIP specifically prohibits "All private and public gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit" except for certain exceptions for carefully defined essential activities. This party is not an exception. Should this event go forward, it will directly undermine the effectiveness of the public health measures currently being taken by hundreds of thousands of San Franciscans, at great personal and financial hardship.

The March 27, 2020 event taking place at your property is in direct violation of the SIP and constitutes a menace to public health. It is a nuisance as a matter of law under the San Francisco Health Code and subject to immediate abatement. Furthermore, failure to comply with the SIP is punishable by fine, imprisonment or both pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code section 7.17(b) and California Penal Code section 148. Furthermore, California Penal Code section 409.5 authorizes the City to close down properties constituting a menace to public health and makes it a misdemeanor for any individual to knowingly and willfully enter such property.

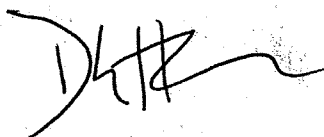
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As the property owner, you are responsible for violations taking place at your property. You must take all necessary actions to ensure that this event is cancelled. If you fail to cancel the event and all promotions for the event, you will be liable for the aforementioned violations as well as any civil penalties, and all costs attributed to efforts by the City to shut down the event, including attorney's fees.

We understand that an individual claiming to be an owner has represented to the San Francisco Police Department that this event has been cancelled. Yet, this event is still being promoted on the promoter's web page, and tickets can still be purchased through Eventbrite. Please contact Deputy City Attorney Jennifer Choi ([jennifer.choi@sfcityatt.org](mailto:jennifer.choi@sfcityatt.org)) by no later than **5:00 p.m. tomorrow, March 25, 2020** to confirm that this event and all promotional activities for this event have been terminated and cancelled. Furthermore, please provide Deputy City Attorney Choi with information concerning the identity of those involved in organizing this event, who have shown such callous disregard for the health and safety of San Franciscans in the face of this pandemic.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,



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