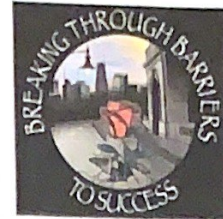


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RE: Divino Tessera Support Letter

Dear Los Angeles City Council:

I am writing this letter to express our strong support for Divino Tessera who is pursuing a cannabis retail permit in the Sun Valley / Sunland Tujunga area.

We are officially a community partner of this company and we are very motivated by their willingness to invest back into the community. We provide services in the area to residents who were formerly incarcerated and who are having difficulty finding a job. With the Septum Group's collaboration, we will help ensure Sun Valley residents have access to job opportunities, job training, and other services.

Divino Tessera consists of owners and a social equity partner that brings years of proven experience in the cannabis industry. Most importantly, they are bringing significant investment to the community. Their Community Benefits Plans includes: taking a percentage of proceeds and donating them to local community projects, hiring local job seekers, and creating a grant program for local non-profits to obtain funding.

In addition to all of its efforts to invest in the local community, Divino Tessera has a strong compliance and operations background which will help ensure it is a strong operator for the city. In doing so, they will help create millions in tax revenue for the city that can help hire more cops, repaving streets, and rebuild our local parks.

For all these reasons, we express our strong support for their project. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Should you have any questions please feel free to reach out to me at dmejia@btbtsla.org or at 213-840-7974. Thank you for your consideration in this matter and we look forward to hearing back from you.

Sincerely,

Daniel Mejia, Jr., MSW, Executive Director