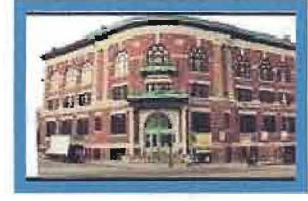




**UPHAMS CORNER
IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION
(UCIA)**



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The Upham's Corner Improvement Association (UCIA) is pleased to write this letter of support for Paraiso Restaurant in their petition for both takeout and entertainment licenses.

Members of our organization have been customers of the restaurant since its opening earlier in the summer of 2011. Both Gregorio Colon and Marinella Ceballo are hard-working and gracious people.

The food they serve is both delicious and nutritious. The takeout license is absolutely essential for them to serve the many customers who want to order their food and "run."

The layout of the restaurant is perfect for business meetings as well as community get-togethers. However, the lack of an entertainment license is a drawback to a wide variety of events. Knowing the type of people running the restaurant, we do not envision their using such a license in a way that would be a detriment to the community. Quite the opposite, Upham's Corner having a restaurant large enough to bring together "community" would be a distinct asset.

Paraiso Restaurant management have also agreed to be proactive in taking care of their building and grounds. While they are not the owners and therefore not technically responsible for picking up litter and trash and repairing the building, they are willing to work with the owner to make sure the property is attractive and well maintained.

We expect to be able to cite Paraiso Restaurant as a model business in our community and one that can serve as an example to other businesses.

In closing we support the restaurant's application for the takeout and entertainment licenses.



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