

1 **BOARD BILL NO. 113 INTRODUCED BY ALDERWOMAN MARLENE DAVIS**

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3 An ordinance prohibiting the issuance of any package or drink liquor licenses for  
4 any currently non-licensed premises within the boundaries of the Nineteenth Ward  
5 Liquor Control District, as established herein, for a period of three years from the  
6 effective date hereof; containing exceptions and allowing, during the moratorium period,  
7 for the transfer of existing licenses, under certain circumstances, and the issuance of a  
8 drink license to persons operating a restaurant at a previously non-licensed premises and  
9 containing an emergency clause.

10 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

11 **SECTION ONE.** The existence of alcoholic beverage establishments appears to  
12 contribute directly to numerous peace, health, safety and general welfare problems  
13 including loitering, littering, drug trafficking, prostitution, public drunkenness,  
14 defacement and damaging of structures, pedestrian obstructions, as well as traffic  
15 circulation, parking and noise problems on public streets and neighborhood lots. The  
16 existence of such problems creates serious impacts on the health, safety and welfare of  
17 residents of single- and multiple-family within the district, including fear for the safety of  
18 children, elderly residents and of visitors to the district. The problems also contribute to  
19 the deterioration of the neighborhood and concomitant devaluation of property and  
20 destruction of community values and quality of life. The number of establishments  
21 selling alcoholic beverages and the associated problems discourage more desirable and  
22 needed commercial uses in the area. In order to preserve the residential character and the  
23 neighborhood-serving commercial uses of the area, there shall be a moratorium on the  
24 issuance of new liquor licenses within the area beginning at the intersection of the  
25 centerlines as follows:

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**Sponsored by: Alderwoman Marlene Davis**

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2           Beginning at the intersection of the centerlines of Laclede Ave. and  
3 Vandeventer Ave., and proceeding along the centerlines in a generally clockwise  
4 direction north to Finney Ave., west to Newstead Ave., north to Evans Ave., east to  
5 Vandeventer Ave., north to Dr. Martin Luther King Drive, east to Grand Blvd., north to  
6 N. Market St., east to Glasgow Ave., south to Madison St., east to Leffingwell Ave.,  
7 south to Gamble St., west to Glasgow Ave., south to Dr. Martin Luther King Drive,  
8 southeast to Leffingwell Ave., south to Franklin St., west to T.E. Huntley Ave., south to  
9 Delmar Blvd., east to Leffingwell Ave., south to Olive St., west to Compton Ave., south  
10 to Lafayette Ave., east to Michigan Ave., south to Interstate 44, west to Grand Ave.,  
11 south to DeTonty St., west to Spring Ave., south to Shaw Blvd., west to 39th St., north to  
12 Blaine Ave., east to Spring Ave., north to Park Ave., east to Grand Blvd., north to Rutger  
13 St., west to Spring Ave., north to Hickory St., east to Grand Blvd., north to the Bi-State  
14 MetroLink right-of-way (formerly the Wabash Railroad tracks), west to Prospect Ave.,  
15 north along Prospect Ave. and its prolongation to Forest Park Ave., east to Grand Blvd.,  
16 north to Laclede Ave., and west to the point of beginning.

17           Such area shall be known as the Nineteenth Ward Liquor Control District.

18           **SECTION TWO.** The Excise Commissioner shall not, for a period of three  
19 years, beginning as of the effective date of this Ordinance, approve the issuance of a  
20 package liquor license for any premises which is located within the boundaries of the  
21 Nineteenth Ward Liquor Control District established in Section One of this ordinance.

22           **SECTION THREE.** Notwithstanding the provisions of Section Two of this  
23 Ordinance, the Excise Commissioner shall have authority to:

1           (1) Approve transfer of an existing license to another premises within the  
2 petition circle of the currently licensed premises, pursuant to the provisions of subsection  
3 (B) of section 14.06.330 of Ordinance 61289; and

4           (2) Issue a drink license for premises, not licensed as of the effective date of  
5 this Ordinance, which currently is or will be, upon opening, operated as a restaurant, as  
6 such term is defined in section 14.01.390 of Ordinance 61289.

7           (3) Approve the renewal of an existing license under the provisions of Section  
8 14.08.090 of Ordinance 62656.

9           **SECTION FOUR. EMERGENCY CLAUSE.** This being an ordinance for the  
10 preservation of public peace, health and safety, it is hereby declared to be an emergency  
11 measure within the meaning of Sections 19 and 20 of Article IV of the Charter of the City  
12 of St. Louis and therefore this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its  
13 passage and approval by the Mayor.