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Petition of Louis Nicolai et al Trustees, Nine Seventy Eight Trust

Puruant to due notice the Board of Appeal held a public hearing in the hearing room on the second floor of the Town Hall at 8:35 p.m. on February 17, 1977, on the petition of Louis Nicolai et al Trustees, Nine Seventy Eight Trust, requesting a special permit under the provisions of Section XXIIA, Part E. and Part C. Subpart 3. a. 7. of the Zoning By-law, which will allow the applicant to erect a panel on the existing standing sign at 978 Worcester Street, with the wording, "Drouin's Steak House - Cocktails". Said sign would be in violation of Section XXIIA, Subpart 3. a. 4 (b) of the Zoning By-law which restricts illuminated signs to not more than two colors and Section 3. a. 1. (d) of the Zoning By-law which prohibits standing signs.

On February 1, 1977, the petitioner requested a hearing before this Board and thereafter due notice of the hearing was given by mailing and publication.

Louis Nicolai spoke in support of the request at the hearing.

Statement of Facts

The property involved is located within a Business A District on the southerly side of Worcester Street at the corner of Stuart Road.

The petitioner seeks permission to reletter a panel on an existing sign in order to identify the new name of the Wellesley Motor Inn restaurant. The new lettering on the panel is to be, "Drouin's Steak House - cocktails," in black letters on a white background. The panel which is to be 4' x 8' also has a yellow lantern projecting above and below the panel. The petitioner feels that there is a great need for the new identification panel as Route 9 is a busy highway, with cars traveling at high speeds which makes it difficult for patrons to see the restaurant.

The existing sign was erected prior to the enactment of the present Sign Code and has a sign identifying the Wellesley Motor Inn, which is mounted on two posts approximately thirty feet in height. There is to be no change in the upper panel.

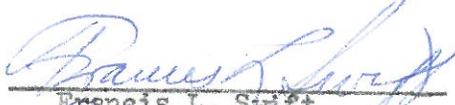
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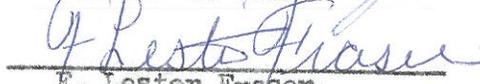
The Board finds that the proposed panel, subject to the conditions hereby imposed, will be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of Section XXIIA of the Zoning By-law and will not be injurious to the neighborhood nor to traffic and safety conditions, nor otherwise detrimental to the public safety and welfare.

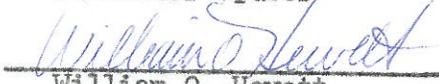
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Accordingly, the Board hereby grants permission for the erection of the panel involved in accordance with the plans submitted and on file with this Board subject to the following conditions:

1. That said panel shall not be any higher than fifteen (15) feet from the ground to the top of the lantern projection on the panel.
2. That said panel shall not be illuminated.

  
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