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Dear City Clerk Wells:

Attached please find a comment letter with regard to the Garage License permit Application for 161 Linwood (Herb Chambers I-93 d/b/a Mercedes Benz of Boston).

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

If possible, it would be appreciated if you could confirm receipt of this transmittal.

(This email was originally sent yesterday to the [REDACTED] email address.)

Very truly yours,

*James W. Murphy*

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May 7, 2024

**Via Email –** [REDACTED]

Kimberly M. Wells, City Clerk  
Somerville City Hall  
93 Highland Avenue  
Somerville, MA 02143

**Re: City Council Committee on Licensing + Permitting  
161 Linwood Street – Garage License**

Dear Ms. Wells:

Please be advised that this office represents Robert Romanow, as he is the Trustee of the Romanow Real Estate Trust, the owner of the property known as 160 Washington Street, Somerville, MA – the direct abutter to the property located at 161 Linwood Street.

Mr. Romanow has provided our office a copy of the notice sent by your office regarding the Petition of Herb Chambers I-93 Inc. d/b/a Mercedes Benz of Boston seeking a “Garage License at 161 Linwood Street for autobody, mechanical repairs, spray painting and storing 0 vehicles inside and 25 vehicles outside . . . .”

The issuance of any Garage License should be clarified to provide that no autobody, mechanical repairs or spray painting of vehicles is to occur outside in the open air parking area surrounding the 161 Linwood Street property. Any such autobody work, mechanical repairs and or spray painting should be required to occur in the interior of the 161 Linwood Street property.

The 160 Washington Street property is currently leased to and operated by AutoZone. A copy of the May 2, 2024 notice of Public Hearing was provided to them on May 6, 2024 soon after it was received by Mr. Romanow. It is not known whether AutoZone will have sufficient time to determine if they have additional comments concerning the Petition, and it is requested that an opportunity to provide any such comments be afforded to it.

Thank you for your consideration. Kindly make these comments available to the City Councilors and/or the City Council Committee on Licensing + Permitting.

Very truly yours,

**James W. Murphy**

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