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Chief

Regulations and Procedures Division Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau Washington, D.C. 20091-0221

RE: TTB Notice No. 4

Dear Sir/Madam:

I am writing concerning the proposal the TTB is thinking about enforcing concerning flavored malt beverages. This proposal is a very bad idea. I run a small business and I have to struggle on a daily basis. I work hard to keep my business going and do not want to see it brought down because someone is not thinking.

If this proposal goes through then that will raise the price of flavored malt beverages to such a point that most consumers will only glance and not buy. Much of my revenue depends on the sale of flavored malt beverages. This has the potential to destroy small businesses everywhere.

Nancy Reagan said it best when she, in her own way, was fighting for the good of America; Just say no.

Sincerely,

Oscar Laster