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

To Whom It May Concern:

The economy has been hit with enough taxes and regulations. The federal government should be focused on eliminating some of the burdens that are making it hard for both consumers and business owners to make ends meet. We need to make certain that regulations such as the ones being considered on flavored malt beverages do not pass.

Controlling the ways in which flavored malt beverages are produced would drastically alter their taste and lose the consumer base that has built up around the products like Zima and Tequiza. Small retail stores would lose more income. In the end, the whole economy would suffer.

Please support the people who buy and sell flavored malt beverages. Support our economy. Prevent what would be a disastrous change in policy for both the flavored malt beverage and retail industries.

Sincerely Yours,

Eddie Michael