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Chief
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P.O. Box 50221
Washington, D.C. 20091-0221

Dear Sir/Madam:

RE: TTB Notice Number Four

I am writing to express my extreme displeasure with the rules changes being proposed by the Alcohol, Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau in TTB Notice Number 4.

The regulation changes you are considering in regard to flavored malt beverages would have a significant negative impact on my business by either eliminating this beverage category altogether or taxing it to the point where no one could afford it.

The federal government should be focused on cutting down taxes and regulatory burdens that are hurting businesses, consumers and the general economy. This is certainly not the time to be adding to those burdens. If these rules changes are allowed, they will irreparably harm small retailers.

Please support the people who buy and sell flavored malt beverages and prevent what would be a disastrous change in policy for this industry.

Sincerely

Jimmy Ghanem

Express Food Court