

Dear Judiciary Committee:

My name is Petra Doerr. I have been involved in the wedding industry in Las Vegas since 2002, as a wedding planner for European clients (HLV Wedding Service), a Minister since 2009 and now as owner of The Royal Wedding Chapel in downtown Las Vegas.

The wedding industry has been declining since a few years and was hit very hard by the pandemic. The rate hike would be a huge burden on the wedding industry, which starts to recover very slowly.

The last increase of \$ 25 for the same cause was important and carried by the wedding industry. Another rate increase would not be sustainable and I feel the funding should not come again from the wedding industry. Married couples have less domestic violence cases than non-married couples.

Many chapels include the marriage license fee in their packages and could not even adjust their rates. Furthermore, the Chapel could not increase the rate for already booked clients that are now rebooking due to Covid.

If you have any questions, please reach out.

PLEASE reconsider and help the wedding industry as well. Thank you for reconsidering.

Sincerely,

**Petra Doerr**

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