APPLICANT	17/CERT/065/2016
IN THE MATTER	of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 (The Act)
AND	
IN THE MATTER	of an application by Ravinder Chopra pursuant to s224 of The Act for the renewal of his manager's certificate.

BEFORE THE SOUTH WAIKATO DISTRICT LICENSING CHAIRPERSON

Quorum: Jenny Shattock QSM JP

APPLICATION

This is an application by Ravinder Chopra for the renewal of a manager's certificate in accordance with section 224 of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012.

Ravinder Chopra has previously owned and operated Mr Chopra's Golden Indian Restaurant which was licensed and closed in 2013. Mr Chopra still lives within the South Waikato District. Mr Chopra has sixteen years experience in the hospitality industry.

Ravinder Chopra gained his licence controller qualification under the old Act (The Sale of Liquor Act 1989) in 2007. He has held his manager's certificate since 2000. Mr Chopra successfully completed the Licence Controller Qualification Bridging Test in April 2016.

Police do not oppose the application.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

Ravinder Chopra gained his licence controller qualification under the old Act (The Sale of Liquor Act 1989) in 2007. He has held his manager's certificate since 2000. Mr Chopra successfully completed the Licence Controller Qualification Bridging Test in April 2016 demonstrating his knowledge of the requirements of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 and its implications for licensed premises and his knowledge of host responsibility requirements.

The Licensing Inspector has provided a report outlining the applicant's suitability and experience.

Neither the New Zealand Police nor the Licensing Inspector express any concern about the suitability of the applicant nor do they oppose the granting of the application.

It is reasonable to assume that Mr Chopra has gained the appropriate training and experience over the last sixteen years.

DECISION

Under s224 the application and supporting information satisfies the Chairperson that the criteria we must have regard to as set out in s.227 of the Act have been met.

The District Licensing Committee Chairperson, acting pursuant to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 grants an application by Ravinder Chopra for the renewal of a Manager's Certificate (17/CERT/065/2016).

The certificate is valid for a period of three years from the date the certificate is issued.

DATED at TOKOROA this 1st day of June 2016

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Jenny Shattock QSM JP Chairperson South Waikato District Licensing Committee