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NORTH CAROLINA ABC COMMISSION APPROVES A NEW STORE AND HOLDS PUBLIC HEARING ON RULE CHANGE PROPOSALS

RALEIGH – The North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission held its regular monthly meeting today and ratified 78 hearing cases that resulted in penalties in excess of \$93,600 and/or imposition of suspensions of permits for three days or more. Fines are due February 8, 2019, and suspensions begin February 15, 2019.

The Commission approved a proposed new ABC store location at 4411 West Wendover Avenue, as requested by the Greensboro ABC Board.

The Commission approved an exemption request pursuant to §18B-1116(b) for:

- Timothy Walker; Small Batch Beer Company; and Burger Batch HP, LLC.
- Craft Revolution, LLC; Southern Tier Brewing Company, LLC; Victory Brewing Company, LLC; Artisanal Brewing Ventures Charlotte, LLC; Southern Tier Distilling Company, LLC; and Mad Scientist Brewing Partners, LLC.

The Commission approved an amendment to the existing warehouse management contract with LB&B Associates. The amended contract reflects no changes to current billing practices for the Commission. However it addresses a gap in documentation within the existing warehouse contract that had been identified by the State Auditor and confirmed by the Commission's internal audit staff and legal division during an internal review concluded at year end.

The Commission held two public hearings on proposed permanent rule changes related to nonprofit raffle/auction sales and permittee sampling limitations.

The Commission then considered and adopted permanent rules regarding: Defining Sports & Entertainment Venues, Destruction of Distressed Liquor, Spirituous Liquor Special Event Permit, Tax Stamp Placement, Visible Indoor Advertising in Sports Arenas, and Nonprofit Raffle/Auction Sales. These adopted rules: 14B NCAC 15B .0101, 14B NCAC 15A .1603 .1604 .1701, 14B NCAC 15C .0101 .0102, .0901 .1301-.1306, 14B NCAC 15A .1901, 14B NCAC 15B .1006, and 14B NCAC 15A .2205 will be filed with the Office of Administrative Hearings for publication in the NC Register.

ABOUT THE NC ABC COMMISSION

North Carolina is one of 17 states to regulate alcohol through a control system. Since 1937, the North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission has provided regulation and control over the sale, purchase, transportation,

manufacture, consumption and possession of alcoholic beverages in the state of North Carolina. <http://abc.nc.gov>.

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