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NORTH CAROLINA ABC COMMISSION APPROVES TWO STORES & AMENDS JACKSON COUNTY AND SYLVA MERGER AGREEMENT

RALEIGH – At the regular meeting of today's ABC Commission, Chairman Zander Guy and Commissioner Mike Herring welcomed Norman A. Mitchell, Sr., of Charlotte to the three-person body. Commissioner Mitchell was appointed to the Commission earlier this month by Governor Roy Cooper and was sworn in Tuesday in Charlotte.

At today's meeting, the Commission ratified 63 hearing cases that resulted in penalties in excess of \$75,000 and/or imposition of suspensions of permits for three days or more. Fines are due August 3, 2018, and suspensions begin August 10, 2018.

An amended ABC board merger agreement between Jackson County and the Town of Sylva won Commission approval. The amendment removes term limits on board members. The consolidated system has been in operation since 2014, and prior to the amendment had limited board service to two consecutive terms.

The Commission approved the two ABC stores on the agenda:

- 912-B W. Main Street, Murfreesboro, requested by the Hertford County ABC Board;
- 12524 NC Highway 210, Suites 101, 102, 103, Benson, requested by the Johnston County ABC Board.

The Commission approved with conditions three exemption requests from the requirements of 18B-1116(b):

- Artisanal Brewing Ventures Charlotte, LLC; Craft Revolution, LLC and Southern Tier Distilling Company, LLC
- Fermented Nonsense Brewing, LLC; Craft Centric Taproom & Bottle Shop and Matthew Vaughn VII.
- Fermentation Station, LLC d/b/a Fermentation Station and Diablo Distilleries, LLC

The Commission also approved taking steps to adopt the current temporary Auction Sales Rules as Permanent Auction Sales Rules. Rules 14B NCAC 15A .2201; .2202; .2203; .2204; and .2205 will be posted to the NC Register, and a public hearing will be held October 10.

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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