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RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF THE CHIEF EQUITY OFFICER FOR THE OFFICE OF CANNABIS MANAGEMENT.

WHEREAS, the Cannabis Control Board (Board), pursuant to Section 12 of the Cannabis Law is charged with appointing a chief equity officer (CEO), by an affirmative vote of at least four members;

WHEREAS, the CEO is responsible for assisting with the development and implementation of, and ensuring the Board and Office continue compliance with, the social and economic equity plan, required to be developed pursuant to Article four of the Cannabis Law;

WHEREAS, the CEO shall establish public education programming dedicated to providing communities that have been impacted by cannabis prohibition with information detailing the licensing process and informing individuals of the support and resources that the Office can provide to individuals and entities interested in participating in activity licensed by the Board;

WHEREAS, the CEO must provide a report to the Board, no later than January 1, 2023, and annually thereafter, of their activities in ensuring compliance with the social and economic equity plan;

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes the important role the CEO plays within the Office in ensuring the legislative findings and intent, set forth in Section 2 of the Cannabis Law, are adhered to; and

WHEREAS, the Board, having reviewed the credentials, character and competency of Jason Starr has determined that he is highly qualified to hold the position of CEO; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the Board, by an affirmative vote of at least four its members, does hereby appoint Jason Starr to serve as the Chief Equity Officer of the Office.