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No. 2025-026
April 24, 2025

RESOLUTION TO ISSUE CERTAIN ADULT-USE CANNABIS LICENSES

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 4 and Section 10(1) of the Cannabis Law, the Cannabis Control Board (Board) is given the authority and discretion to issue licenses related to adult-use cannabis;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 4 of the Cannabis Law, the Board is charged with the responsibility of overseeing activities related to adult-use cannabis;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 10(23) of the Cannabis Law, the Board may delegate its functions, powers and duties to the Executive Director of the Office of Cannabis Management (Office) subject to certain exceptions;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 76(4) of the Cannabis Law, when a city, town, or village within New York State (Municipality), or a community board within New York City (Community Board), expresses an opinion (Opinion) either for or against the Board’s issuance for a license authorizing retail cannabis sale within their geographic bounds, the Board shall respond in writing with an explanation as to how it considered the Opinion;

WHEREAS, certain Municipalities have expressed an Opinion for or against the Board’s issuance of an adult-use license to certain applicants;

WHEREAS, the Chairperson of the Board has made a preliminary determination to grant adult-use licenses to certain individuals and entities that have applied for adult-use licenses (as identified by the applications in Attachment A);

WHEREAS, the members of the Board waive their right pursuant to Section 10(1) of the Cannabis Law to take up to 14 days from the Chairperson’s preliminary determination to object to the Chairperson’s preliminary determination or to request that the matter be brought before the full Board for consideration;

WHEREAS, no member of the Board objects to the Chairperson’s preliminary determination to grant certain adult-use licenses, and no member of the Board requests that the matter be brought before the full Board for consideration;

WHEREAS, the Board desires to issue a license as indicated, to every applicant that has received the Chairperson’s aforementioned preliminary determination to grant an adult-use license as identified on Attachment A hereto;

WHEREAS, the Board desires that a response be issued to those Municipalities that have expressed an Opinion



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explaining how such Opinion was considered; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the Board hereby delegates its authority to the Office, effective immediately, to issue a response to Municipalities that have expressed an Opinion in favor of the issuance of a license to the applicants identified on Attachment A explaining how the Opinion was considered;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board approves, and directs the Office to issue, the responses contained in Attachment B hereto to Municipalities that have expressed an Opinion in opposition of the issuance of a license to the applicants identified on Attachment A;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board issues an adult-use license as indicated to every applicant that has received the Chairperson’s aforementioned preliminary determination to grant an adult-use license as identified on Attachment A; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board dictates that an adult-use licensee shall not begin adult-use cannabis operations until the completion of any additional requirements to the satisfaction of the Office including written approval from the Office’s compliance team.



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Attachment A

Application ID	License Type	Entity Name
OCMCULT-2024-000045	Adult-Use Cultivator License	Graceful Roses LLC
OCMCULT-2024-000050	Adult-Use Cultivator License	Dolores H Dygert
OCMDIST2-2024-000008	Adult-Use Distributor License	2X Baked Llc
OCMDIST-2023-000205	Adult-Use Distributor License	NAY-TAY LLC
OCMDIST-2023-000187	Adult-Use Distributor License	ESLSUGAR LLC
OCMDIST-2023-000295	Adult-Use Distributor License	GCC NY Operations, LLC
OCMDIST-2023-000251	Adult-Use Distributor License	Plan B Properties LLC
OCMDIST-2023-000316	Adult-Use Distributor License	Canna Study, LLC
OCMDIST-2023-000184	Adult-Use Distributor License	A.D. Green & Co., LLC
OCMMICR-2023-000843	Adult-Use Microbusiness License w/Retail	Janes Garden LLC
OCMMICR-2023-000350	Adult-Use Microbusiness License w/Retail	Rustik 471, LLC
OCMMICR-2023-000157	Adult-Use Microbusiness License	Blue Mountain Growers, LLC
OCMMICR-2023-000318	Adult-Use Microbusiness License	Canna Culta LLC
OCMMICR-2023-001248	Adult-Use Microbusiness License	Pierre McClain LLC
OCMMICR-2023-000614	Adult-Use Microbusiness License w/Retail	Green Witch Cannabis LLC
OCMMICR-2023-001005	Adult-Use Microbusiness License	Tartan Ridge Farm LLC
OCMMICR-2023-000613	Adult-Use Microbusiness License w/Retail	LK Wellness LLC
OCMMICR-2023-000154	Adult-Use Microbusiness License	Farhana Jashim DbA Herbuds
OCMMICR-2023-000294	Adult-Use Microbusiness License	J.C.MAC LLC
OCMMICR-2023-000499	Adult-Use Microbusiness License	MAMAJUANA LLC
OCMMICR-2023-000516	Adult-Use Microbusiness License	Lost Planet LLC
OCMMICR-2023-000135	Adult-Use Microbusiness License w/Retail	Milk Burger INC



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OCMMICR-2023-000372	Adult-Use Microbusiness License w/Retail	Cubed Roots LLC
OCMMICR-2023-000405	Adult-Use Microbusiness License	High Rhino Solutions L.L.C.
OCMMICR-2023-000122	Adult-Use Microbusiness License w/Retail	Innocence Cannabis LLC
OCMPROC-2023-000304	Adult-Use Processor License	Niagara Beverage LLC
OCMPROC-2024-000046	Adult-Use Processor License	Eaton Processing LLC
OCMPROC2-2024-000002	Adult-Use Processor License	Honey & Gold Lifestyle LLC
OCMPROC-2023-000497	Adult-Use Processor License	CPEBCC NY LLC
OCMPROC-2023-000154	Adult-Use Processor License	SHOKi Beverages Corp.
OCMPROC-2023-000122	Adult-Use Processor License	SNNJ INC.
OCMPROC2-2025-000001	Adult-Use Processor License	CannafarmsNY LLC
OCMPROC-2023-000403	Adult-Use Processor License	TKS SENSEI NY II LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000024	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	Sade Balogun
OCMPT3B-2024-000028	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	HouseStore
OCMPT3B-2024-000059	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	Vecchio Provisions
OCMPT3B-2024-000072	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	the v experience, llc
OCMPT3B-2024-000081	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	SkyLyfe LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000118	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	VENDVIBE NYC LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000108	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	Astro Packaging Printing Corporation
OCMPT3B-2024-000102	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	Toke Chiba LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000101	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	Odessa Consulting inc
OCMPT3B-2024-000092	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	Top Label LLC



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OCMPT3B-2025-000069	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	BudRunners LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000109	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	Shana Gonzalez
OCMPT3B-2024-000107	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	Alphina New York LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000091	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	Pineapple Printing & Packaging Corporation
OCMPT3B-2024-000085	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	Fleurt Limited Liability Company
OCMPT3B-2024-000047	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	Highbrow Industries, LLC
OCMPT3B-2025-000094	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	B NOBLE INC
OCMPT3B-2024-000129	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	Enchanted Bloom LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000097	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	STAR BATCH, LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000030	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	The Green Apple Cannabis Corp.
OCMPT3B-2024-000104	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	Zareba Associates Inc DbA Alibi
OCMPT3B-2025-000003	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	VANDYS HOLDINGS, LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000096	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	Fullmeltnyc LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000090	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	Sweet Relief Honey, LLC
OCMPT3B-2025-000005	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	Royal Genetics LLC
OCMPT3B-2024-000120	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	Justus B Freville DbA Element Cannabis Co
OCMPT3B-2024-000077	Adult-Use Processor Type Three-Branding	littlecitycannabis LLC
OCMRETL-2023-001159	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Owl Be Smokin, Inc.
OCMRETL-2023-000932	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	SLA Services INC
OCMRETL-2023-000772	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Pike & Griff LLC



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OCMRETL-2023-000753	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	6318 SAI ENTERPRISES INC
OCMRETL-2023-000395	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	The Canna Guy LLC
OCMRETL-2023-000334	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	LIT NYC INC
OCMRETL-2023-001246	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Downtown Flower LLC
OCMRETL-2023-000015	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Bloom Brothers NY, INC.
OCMRETL-2023-001282	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	SARATOGA VAPOR SHOP, LLC
OCMRETL-2023-000873	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	ZAI HOUSING INC.
OCMRETL-2023-000742	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Paradise Cannabis LLC
OCMRETL-2023-000877	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	RT 13 CANNABIS NOVELTIES LLC
OCMRETL-2023-000925	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	AJA Cannabis 1010 LLC
OCMRETL-2023-001063	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	S & H Buds Inc. DbA Harvest Hills
OCMRETL-2023-001182	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Green Witch Dispensary LLC
OCMRETL-2023-002138	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	CANNABIS HORIZON HOLDINGS
OCMRETL-2023-001881	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Southern Tier Cannabis Inc.
OCMRETL-2023-001785	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	JDR CANN LLC
OCMRETL-2023-001594	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Rosebud Club LLC
OCMRETL-2023-001514	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	C&R Project LLC
OCMRETL-2023-001496	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	2601 Genesee LLC
OCMRETL-2023-001644	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Keller Gutierrez LLC
OCMRETL-2023-000062	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	LakeHouse Cannabis, LLC
OCMRETL-2023-000326	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Cloud 9 Dispensary, LLC
OCMRETL-2023-001217	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Buffalo Rush Fam Future, LLC
OCMRETL-2023-001811	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Dance Like A Star With Serge, Inc.
OCMRETL-2023-000302	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Premium Management Group LLC
OCMRETL-2023-001661	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	The Goodie Bag, LLC
OCMRETL-2023-001670	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Fire Escape LLC
OCMRETL-2023-000995	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Balagan Cannabis NY LLC



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OCMRETL-2023-000438	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	MoxBeacon LLC
OCMRETL-2023-000940	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	Green Land Retail LLC
OCMRETL-2023-001511	Adult-Use Retail Dispensary License	69 Graham Dispensary LLC
OCMCAURDP-2024-000112	Adult-Use Conditional Retail Dispensary License	A Cannaful Life LLC



Attachment B

April, 24, 2025

SENT VIA EMAIL

Queens Community Board 9
12055 Queens Blvd # 310A
Jamaica, NY 11424

Re: Response from the New York State Cannabis Control Board under Cannabis Law Section 76(4)

Dear Queens Community Board 9:

This letter is in reference to the Cannabis Control Board’s decision to approve the license for OCMRETL-2023-001246 (Downtown Flower LLC) located at 116-05 Metropolitan Ave, Richmond Hill, NY 11418.

Pursuant to Article 4 of the Cannabis Law, the Cannabis Control Board (Board) is authorized to issue registrations, licenses, and permits related to adult-use retail dispensaries, registered organization with dispensary (ROD), or for on-site consumption (License) within the State. Section 76(4) of the Cannabis Law provides that when a city, town, or village within New York State (Municipality), or a community board within New York City (Community Board), expresses an opinion (Opinion) either for or against the Board’s issuance for a License authorizing retail cannabis sale within their geographic bounds, the Board shall respond in writing with an explanation as to how it considered the Opinion. Furthermore, Part 119 of Title 9 of New York Codes Rules and Regulations (9 NYCRR) proscribes the timeframe of thirty (30) days, with the option to request thirty (30) additional days, in which a Municipality or Community Board may submit their Opinion to the Board.

On or about December 21, 2023, the Board received an Opinion from your office (Office) outlining concerns on the review and issuance of a license to Downtown Flower LLC, and the Board is responding as follows:

Pursuant to 9 NYCRR, the Board implemented distance and proximity requirements between licensed retail dispensaries, including RODs, on-site consumption sites, and microbusiness retail locations, from other similarly licensed entities, houses of worship, schools, and public youth facilities, where applicable.

The Municipality Rulemaking regulations (9 NYCRR) require:

- A proposed adult-use cannabis retail dispensary location to not be located in a municipality that opted out of allowing retail dispensary locations.
- A minimum distance of 2,000 feet between adult-use cannabis retail dispensaries in municipalities with a population less than 20,000.
- A minimum distance of 1,000 feet between adult-use cannabis retail dispensaries in municipalities with a population 20,000 or more.
- A minimum straight-line measurement of 200 feet between any cannabis dispensary and a building exclusively used as a house of worship.
 - The two entities must be located on the same street for the 200-foot requirement to be applicable.



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- A minimum straight-line measurement of 500 feet between any cannabis dispensary and a public youth facility or building exclusively used as a school.
 - The two entities must be located on the same street for the 500-foot requirement to be applicable.
 - Public Youth facility means a location or structure owned by a government or government subdivision or agency, that is accessible to the public, where the primary purpose is to provide recreational opportunities or services to children or adolescents of whom the primary population is reasonably expected to be seventeen (17) years of age or younger. Please note, in order of a location to be considered a public youth facility it must be designated as such by a local municipality via the passage of a local law

In its consideration of the proposed license, the Board reviewed and confirmed the foregoing proximity requirements in its decision to grant or deny the licensee to the applicant.

The Board would like to address your concerns regarding illicit cannabis sales within your jurisdiction. Thank you for sharing this complaint as it has been referred to OCM's Enforcement Division for investigation and the Board has and will consider the results of the investigation. Governor Kathy Hochul recently unveiled the strongest set of policies enacted thus far to tackle the illicit cannabis marketplace as part of the FY25 Budget. This initiative provides the Office of Cannabis Management and local counties and cities with enhanced authority to act against illicit cannabis storefronts and those who enable them. The New York State Office of Cannabis Management in collaboration with local governments are building a competitive cannabis market, built on principles of justice and access, to ensure broad economic and social prosperity across the state. These collaborative efforts foster greater levels of entrepreneurial innovation, quality consumer experiences, safer cannabis products, and broader educational outreach to keep our consumers safe and create a thriving market for the future of our communities. The Office of Cannabis enforcement division is working to end illicit and unlicensed cannabis activities within the State. Although your Office's concerns are well received, they do not pose a specific concern as it relates to the issuance of the contemplated license.

Furthermore, the Board reviewed and confirmed Downtown Flower LLC completion of all application requirements for final licensure.

After careful review and consideration of the opinion received from your Locality, and pursuant to the Cannabis Law and related regulations, a license was approved for Downtown Flower LLC located at 116-05 Metropolitan Ave, Richmond Hill, NY 11418.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact the New York State Office of Cannabis Management at municipalities@ocm.ny.gov.

Sincerely,
Cannabis Control Board



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SENT VIA EMAIL

Bronx Community Board 2
1029 E 163rd St #202
Bronx, NY 10459

Re: Response from the New York State Cannabis Control Board under Cannabis Law Section 76(4)

Dear Bronx Community Board 2:

This letter is in reference to the Cannabis Control Board’s decision to approve the license for OCMRETL-2023-002138 (Cannabis Horizon Holdings) located at 938 Intervale Ave, Bronx, NY 10459.

Pursuant to Article 4 of the Cannabis Law, the Cannabis Control Board (Board) is authorized to issue registrations, licenses, and permits related to adult-use retail dispensaries, registered organization with dispensary (ROD), or for on-site consumption (License) within the State. Section 76(4) of the Cannabis Law provides that when a city, town, or village within New York State (Municipality), or a community board within New York City (Community Board), expresses an opinion (Opinion) either for or against the Board’s issuance for a License authorizing retail cannabis sale within their geographic bounds, the Board shall respond in writing with an explanation as to how it considered the Opinion. Furthermore, Part 119 of Title 9 of New York Codes Rules and Regulations (9 NYCRR) proscribes the timeframe of thirty (30) days, with the option to request thirty (30) additional days, in which a Municipality or Community Board may submit their Opinion to the Board.

On or about January 3, 2024, the Board received an Opinion from your office (Office) outlining concerns on the review and issuance of a license to Cannabis Horizon Holdings and the Board is responding as follows:

Pursuant to 9 NYCRR, the Board implemented distance and proximity requirements between licensed retail dispensaries, including RODs, on-site consumption sites, and microbusiness retail locations, from other similarly licensed entities, houses of worship, schools, and public youth facilities, where applicable.

The Municipality Rulemaking regulations (9 NYCRR) require:

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- A minimum distance of 2,000 feet between adult-use cannabis retail dispensaries in municipalities with a population less than 20,000.
- A minimum distance of 1,000 feet between adult-use cannabis retail dispensaries in municipalities with a population 20,000 or more.
- A minimum straight-line measurement of 200 feet between any cannabis dispensary and a building exclusively used as a house of worship.
 - The two entities must be located on the same street for the 200-foot requirement to be applicable.
- A minimum straight-line measurement of 500 feet between any cannabis dispensary and a public youth facility or building exclusively used as a school.



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In the attached opinion provided by your Community Board, your Office raised concerns with proximity to schools as well as security concerns. The Board appreciates you bringing this to their attention. In its consideration of the proposed license, the Board reviewed and confirmed the foregoing proximity requirements in its decision to grant the licensee to the applicant.

The Board and Office of Cannabis Management (“OCM”) realize the importance of protection of youth from adult use cannabis, and as such have implemented regulatory and policy-based requirements that address security and safety requirements. Specifically, § 123.10 (d) sets requirements of a retail dispensary for verification of identification and proof of age for retail dispensaries. When an incident occurs, licensees must submit a detailed incident report to OCM. This report includes the circumstances of the incident, the corrective actions taken, and confirmation that the appropriate law enforcement authorities have been notified. This mandatory reporting ensures a swift and transparent response to any threats to public safety. Additionally, Section 120.1(k) emphasizes that violations of the Regulations or the Cannabis Law by a licensee can result in significant penalties. These penalties may include fines, suspension, revocation of the license, and even debarment, as outlined in Part 133 of the Regulations.

Furthermore, a stipulation agreement (Stipulation) was attached to the Opinion by your Office and Cannabis Horizon Holdings. The Board hereby acknowledges receipt of the Stipulation. Please note, however, that the stipulation will not be monitored by the Board, or the Office and the terms of the Stipulation will not be incorporated beyond the requirements and restrictions established in Cannabis Law and Office Regulations.

The Board reviewed and confirmed Cannabis Horizon Holdings completion of all application requirements for final licensure. After careful review and consideration of the opinion received from your Locality, and pursuant to the Cannabis Law and related regulations, a license was approved for Cannabis Horizon Holdings located at 938 Intervale Avenue Bronx NY 10459.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact the New York State Office of Cannabis Management at municipalities@ocm.ny.gov.

Sincerely,
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SENT VIA EMAIL

Bronx Community Board 1
3024 Third Ave
Bronx, NY 10455

Re: Response from the New York State Cannabis Control Board under Cannabis Law Section 76(4)

Dear Bronx Community Board 1:

This letter is in reference to the Cannabis Control Board's decision to approve the license for OCMMICR-2023-000135 (Milk Burgers Inc) located at 148 Bruckner Blvd Bronx NY 10454.

Pursuant to Article 4 of the Cannabis Law, the Cannabis Control Board (Board) is authorized to issue registrations, licenses, and permits related to adult-use retail dispensaries, registered organization with dispensary (ROD), or for on-site consumption (License) within the State. Section 76(4) of the Cannabis Law provides that when a city, town, or village within New York State (Municipality), or a community board within New York City (Community Board), expresses an opinion (Opinion) either for or against the Board's issuance for a License authorizing retail cannabis sale within their geographic bounds, the Board shall respond in writing with an explanation as to how it considered the Opinion. Furthermore, Part 119 of Title 9 of New York Codes Rules and Regulations (9 NYCRR) proscribes the timeframe of thirty (30) days, with the option to request thirty (30) additional days, in which a Municipality or Community Board may submit their Opinion to the Board.

On or about March 14, 2024, the Board received an Opinion from your office (Office) outlining concerns on the review and issuance of a license to Milk Burgers Inc and the Board is responding as follows:

Pursuant to 9 NYCRR, the Board implemented distance and proximity requirements between licensed retail dispensaries, including RODs, on-site consumption sites, and microbusiness retail locations, from other similarly licensed entities, houses of worship, schools, and public youth facilities, where applicable.

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 - The two entities must be located on the same street for the 200-foot requirement to be applicable.
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In its consideration of the proposed license, the Board reviewed and confirmed the foregoing proximity requirements in its decision to grant or deny the licensee to the applicant. Furthermore, the Board reviewed and confirmed Milk Burgers Inc completion of all application requirements for final licensure.

After careful review and consideration of the opinion received from your Locality, and pursuant to the Cannabis Law and related regulations, a license was approved for Milk Burgers Inc located at 148 Bruckner Blvd, Bronx, NY 10454.

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SENT VIA EMAIL

Staten Island Community Board 3
1243 Woodrow Rd
Staten Island, NY 10309

Re: Response from the New York State Cannabis Control Board under Cannabis Law Section 76(4)

Dear Staten Island Community Board 3:

This letter is in reference to the Cannabis Control Board’s decision to approve the license for OCMCAURD-2022-000560 (A Cannaful Life LLC) located at 1547 Arthur Kill Road Staten Island NY 10312.

Pursuant to Article 4 of the Cannabis Law, the Cannabis Control Board (Board) is authorized to issue registrations, licenses, and permits related to adult-use retail dispensaries, registered organization with dispensary (ROD), or for on-site consumption (License) within the State. Section 76(4) of the Cannabis Law provides that when a city, town, or village within New York State (Municipality), or a community board within New York City (Community Board), expresses an opinion (Opinion) either for or against the Board’s issuance for a License authorizing retail cannabis sale within their geographic bounds, the Board shall respond in writing with an explanation as to how it considered the Opinion. Furthermore, Part 119 of Title 9 of New York Codes Rules and Regulations (9 NYCRR) proscribes the timeframe of thirty (30) days, with the option to request thirty (30) additional days, in which a Municipality or Community Board may submit their Opinion to the Board.

On or about November 1, 2024, the Board received an Opinion from your office (Office) outlining concerns on the review and issuance of a license to A Cannaful Life LLC and the Board is responding as follows:

In the attached opinion provided to our Office, you raised concerns with proliferation of illegal smoke shops, lack of transparency and inclusion in the process. The OCM and Board greatly appreciated the Community Board raising these concerns to our attention.

The Board would like to first address you concerns regarding illicit cannabis sales within your jurisdiction. Thank you for sharing this complaint as it has been referred to OCM’s Enforcement Division for investigation and the Board has and will consider the results of the investigation. Governor Kathy Hochul recently unveiled the strongest set of policies enacted thus far to tackle the illicit cannabis marketplace as part of the FY25 Budget. This initiative provides the Office of Cannabis Management and local counties and cities with enhanced authority to act against illicit cannabis storefronts and those who enable them. The New York State Office of Cannabis Management in collaboration with local governments are building a competitive cannabis market, built on principles of justice and access, to ensure broad economic and social prosperity across the state. These collaborative efforts foster greater levels of entrepreneurial innovation, quality consumer experiences, safer cannabis products, and broader educational outreach to keep our consumers safe and create a thriving market for the future of our communities. The Office of Cannabis enforcement division is working to end illicit and unlicensed cannabis activities within the State. Although your Office’s concerns are well received, they do not pose a



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specific concern as it relates to the issuance of the contemplated license.

Furthermore, to address concerns raised lack of transparency and inclusion in the process, the OCM Intergovernmental Outreach Division has held presentation and provided questions and answer meetings directly to the Community Board on January 11, 2024 and January 15, 2025. From those presentations the Community Board has been provided with extensive information surrounding the legal cannabis industry along with a clearer understanding of the Community Board role in accordance with Section 76 of Cannabis Law. The OCM Intergovernmental Outreach Division continues to make themselves available for any further concerns or questions the Community Board may have.

Finally, the Board reviewed and confirmed A Cannaful Life LLC completion of all application requirements for final licensure. After careful review and consideration of the opinion received from your Locality, and pursuant to the Cannabis Law and related regulations, a license was approved for A Cannaful Life LLC located at 1547 Arthur Kill Road Staten Island NY 10312.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact the New York State Office of Cannabis Management at municipalities@ocm.ny.gov.

Sincerely,
Cannabis Control Board



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