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RESOLUTION 2022-~~8~~8
DESIGNATING A UNIVERSAL SYMBOL PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 24:6I-35 TO
INDICATE THAT A CANNABIS ITEM CONTAINS CANNABIS

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 24:6I-35, the Commission shall adopt rules and regulations, which shall be consistent with the intent of N.J.S.A. 24:6I-31 et al., to establish a universal symbol to indicate that a cannabis item contains cannabis, which shall be marked, stamped, or imprinted directly on a retail cannabis product, or on each single standardized serving in a multiple-serving edible cannabis product, unless the item is a loose bulk good sold in small clusters, a powder, a liquid-infused item, or another form too impractical to be marked, stamped, or imprinted; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-13.6, the Commission shall establish a universal symbol indicating clearly to consumers and members of the public that any package of cannabis items contains cannabis, and that such symbol, once established, shall be imprinted on all packages of cannabis items in a form and manner prescribed by the Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Commission and staff have researched and explored multiple options for a universal symbol identifying cannabis products that would be consistent with the intent of N.J.S.A. 24:6I-31 et al.; and


WHEREAS, the Commission recognizes that packaging is an important means of communication with consumers and that a universal symbol identifying a product as containing cannabis is a useful tool, along with child-resistant and opaque packaging, restrictions on brand imagery and design, and restrictions on types of product and descriptors, in protecting the consuming public from obtaining and consuming products that may be harmful to them due to the consumer's age or tolerance level; and

WHEREAS, the goal of establishing a universal symbol identifying a product as containing cannabis is to prevent unintended consumption by adults not intending to consume cannabis and persons under 21 years of age, and to clearly establish that these products are not available nor intended for consumption or use by children; and

WHEREAS, the Commission is satisfied that the symbols proposed and presented as an attachment to this Resolution will serve the intended purpose of preventing unintended consumption and informing the public that any product affixed with the symbol contains cannabis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission, that:

1. The symbols attached to this Resolution and presented for consideration by the Commission at the February 24, 2022, public meeting of the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission are adopted as the universal symbols for cannabis products in the State of New Jersey pursuant to N.J.S.A. 24:6I-35 and N.J.A.C. 17:30-13.6.
2. The Executive Director of the Commission, or his designee, shall issue guidance related to packaging and use of the universal symbols.

Submitted by: 

Dianna Houenou, Chair

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Cannabis Regulatory Commission at its meeting held on the 24 day of February, 2022.


Erin Hogan, Executive Assistant

Vote on the Approval of This Resolution	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Barker		X	X			
Commissioner Del Cid-Kosso	X		X			
Commissioner Delgado			X			
Chairwoman Houenou			X			
Commissioner Nash			X			