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CANNABIS REGULATORY COMMISSION

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RESOLUTION 2025-<u>08-07-05</u> APPROVING THE REQUESTS FOR TRANSFERS OF OWNERSHIP

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission ("the Commission"), established pursuant to P.L.2019, c.153, known and cited as the "Jake Honig Compassionate Use Medical Cannabis Act," is charged with implementing the provisions of that Act as well as P.L.2021, c.16, known and cited as the "New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act"; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-9.3(a), from the submission of a conditional license conversion application or an annual license application to at least two years after the cannabis business commences operations, a license holder holding an annual license shall not make any change to more than 50 percent of its ownership interest, except that: (1) a transfer of ownership interest in a license applicant or license holder from a deceased owner to their heir shall not be prohibited, and (2) a transfer of ownership interest in a license applicant or license holder from a deceased owner to their surviving spouse, domestic partner, or civil union partner, if the license was issued jointly to both the parties, shall not be prohibited; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-9.3(b), from the submission of the conditional license conversion application or an annual license application to at least two years after the cannabis business commences operations, a license holder may add new loans from new or existing financial sources or gifts; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-9.3(c), until at least two years after the cannabis business commences operations, a diversely owned business license holder shall maintain all conditions required to qualify as eligible for its diversely owned business certification; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-9.3(d), until at least two years after the cannabis business commences operations, a social equity business license holder shall maintain the conditions required to qualify for its social equity business status; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-9.3(e), a license holder operating as a microbusiness shall not transfer ownership interest such that the license holder no longer qualifies as a microbusiness; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-9.3(h), the Commission retains discretion to determine when a transfer of ownership interests has occurred; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-7.17(j)(3), the fee to apply for the transfer of more than 50 percent of ownership interest in a license holder is \$20,000; and

WHEREAS, INSA Coastline Dispensary LLC, a cannabis retailer, requests approval of an ownership transfer whereby current passive investor
and
WHEREAS, Vipul Patel was previously vetted and determined to be qualified by the NJ-CRC, with no derogatory information found; and
WHEREAS, Mountain View Farmacy LLC, a microbusiness cannabis retailer, requests approval of an ownership transfer whereby current minority owners
This ownership transfer is in compliance with the microbusiness requirements in N.J.A.C. 17:30-6.7; and
WHEREAS, a Personal History Disclosure form was filed by Alesan Acevedo and no derogatory information was found; and
WHEREAS, Vidu Brothers Cannabis, a cannabis cultivator and manufacturer, requests approval of an ownership transfer whereby the entirety of deceased owner
and
WHEREAS, a Personal History Disclosure form was filed by Nikita Patel and no derogatory information was found; and
WHEREAS, Higher Leaf LLC, a cannabis retailer, requests approval of an ownership transfer in which majority owner
and

derogatory information was found; and

WHEREAS, Personal History Disclosure forms were filed by Isaac Liebes, David Pejovic, Chris Abbenda, and Owen Martinetti and no derogatory information was found; and
WHEREAS, Green Village Services, LLC, a cannabis distributor, requests approval of an ownership transfer whereby owner
and
WHEREAS , Olivia Bakunas was previously vetted and determined to be qualified by the NJ-CRC, and no derogatory information was found; and
WHEREAS, Cookies Harrison LLC, a cannabis retailer, requests approval of a transfer request whereby minority owner
and
WHEREAS, passive investor Lev Kendinov was vetted, and no derogatory information was found; and
WHEREAS, Weedies, a cannabis delivery service, requests approval of a transfer request whereby minority owner
and
WHEREAS, a Personal History Disclosure Form was filed by Eshaan Amin, and no derogatory information was found; and
WHEREAS , Commission staff has completed a thorough investigation of the above proposed ownership transfers, as well as associated documents and materials, for compliance with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 17:30, et seq., and N.J.S.A. 24:6I-1 et seq; and
WHEREAS, Commission staff has found no evidence that would preclude the aforementioned ownership transfers;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission, that the above proposed transfers of ownership are hereby approved.

Dianna Houenou, Chair

Submitted by:

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 7^{th} day of August 2025.

Dave Tuason, Chief Counsel

Vote on the Approval of This Resolution	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Chairwoman Houenou			X			
Commissioner Mapp	X		X			
Vice Chair Nash		X	X			