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DATE: THURSDAY, JUNE 18 2026

1 BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

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3 HARRIS LAUFER, Chair

4 JACQUELINE FERRARO, Vice Chair

5 AMELIA MAPP, Commissioner

6 KRISTA G. NASH, Commissioner

7 CHRISTOPHER RIGGS, Acting Executive Director

8 DANIEL SAID, Secretary

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1 MS. AMELIA MAPP: Can anyone hear me?

2 CHAIR: Yes, we can.

3 MS. MAPP: Okay. Good morning, everyone.

4 MS. KRISTA G. NASH: Good morning.

5 THE SECRETARY: Good morning.

6 CHAIR: Good morning. Hey, Daniel, are --
7 are we good to go?

8 THE SECRETARY: Yes -- yes, sir.

9 CHAIR: And Commissioner Mapp, is your
10 camera working?

11 MS. MAPP: Yeah, I don't know why it does
12 that sometimes, but it's working.

13 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Mapp, there
14 is -- there might be a button on top of your camera.

15 MS. MAPP: Yeah, I -- I did that. It's
16 on. Let's try it again. Okay. There it is.

17 THE SECRETARY: There you go.

18 CHAIR: There we go -- there we go. All
19 right. Teamwork makes the dream work.

20 MS. MAPP: That's right.

21 CHAIR: Let's commence. Okay. So are we
22 -- are we good to start?

23 MS. MAPP: Yes.

24 CHAIR: Okay. Mr. Said, are -- are we --
25 are we broadcasted and ready to go?

1 THE SECRETARY: Yes, we are.

2 CHAIR: All right. I would like to -- I
3 would like to call into order this special meeting of
4 the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission for June
5 18th, 2026. Mr. Said, can you please call the roll and
6 read the statement of compliance?

7 THE SECRETARY: Chair, this is a special
8 public meeting of the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory
9 Commission's 2026 annual meeting schedule. Adequate
10 notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance
11 with the Senator Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings
12 Act. Notice of the special meeting was posted to the
13 NJCRC Legal Notices website on June 4th, 2026, in
14 accordance with Public Law 2025, Chapter 72.

15 The agenda and information regarding the
16 virtual nature of the meeting and the ability to live
17 stream was also posted on the CRC website. The meeting
18 time and location has been posted on the website of the
19 New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission and with the
20 Office of the Secretary of the State. I will now do
21 roll call. Commissioner Mapp?

22 MS. MAPP: Present.

23 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Nash?

24 MS. NASH: Present.

25 THE SECRETARY: Vice Chair Ferraro?

1 MS. NASH: She appears to be having some
2 audio issues.

3 CHAIR: Yes, but she is in fact present?

4 MS. NASH: Yes, she is.

5 THE SECRETARY: So I will take that as
6 present and Chair Laufer?

7 CHAIR: I am also present.

8 THE SECRETARY: We -- we now have a
9 quorum.

10 CHAIR: Excellent. First order of
11 business is the approval of the prior meetings minutes.
12 Is there a motion to approve the prior meeting minutes?

13 MS. NASH: Chair, I move to approve the
14 prior meeting minutes.

15 CHAIR: Is there a second?

16 MS. MAPP: Second.

17 CHAIR: All in favor? Aye.

18 MS. MAPP: Aye.

19 MS. NASH: Aye.

20 CHAIR: And as Vice Chair Ferraro works
21 through her technical difficulties, Mr. Said, She can
22 register her vote when she's able to. Next, we have
23 applications for permit or license changes. Executive
24 Director Riggs, would you like to set the table?

25 MR. CHRISTOPHER RIGGS: Sure. Thank you,

1 Chair. We have several applications up here for an
2 ownership change, proposing a cannabis business
3 ownership change. Next slide, please. Next slide,
4 please. So these are the first five. We're going to
5 have 10 here for the first tranche. Clone Cannabis
6 LLC, Cookies Harrison LLC, Everest Dispensary LLC, Loud
7 Labs NJ LLC, Organic Green Buds LLC. Next slide.

8 The Good Supply Company Victory Gardens
9 LLC, Emerald Tea Supply Company, Jersey Smooth LLC,
10 Public Absecon Incorporated LLC, Stone Hill
11 Manufacturing LLC. Each of these entities has
12 satisfied the regulatory requirements for an ownership
13 change. All the owners and the individuals that are
14 required to be vetted by our Office of Compliance and
15 Investigations have been done -- it has been done.

16 These folks have been deemed eligible to
17 work and own a business in the cannabis market and the
18 adult use cannabis market, and therefore we are
19 recommending approval of these first 10.

20 CHAIR: Awesome. Are there any questions
21 from the board on these 10 ownership change
22 applications? Oh, we -- we have a guest appearance
23 from -- from Vice Chair Ferraro. So -- so she can
24 vote. Again, I want to reiterate, teamwork makes the
25 dream work. So are there any questions surrounding

1 these 10 ownership changes? If not, is there a motion
2 to approve them?

3 MS. MAPP: Chair, I make the motion that
4 we approve these motions as presented by Director
5 Riggs.

6 MS. NASH: Second.

7 CHAIR: Is there a second? Okay. Mr.
8 Said, please call the roll.

9 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Mapp?

10 MS. MAPP: Yes

11 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Nash?

12 MS. NASH: Yes

13 THE SECRETARY: Vice Chair Ferraro?

14 VICE CHAIR: Yes.

15 THE SECRETARY: Chair Laufer?

16 CHAIR: Yes.

17 THE SECRETARY: The motion passes.

18 CHAIR: Awesome. Moving on, so we
19 actually also have one ownership change for a business
20 conversion. Sorry, we have a business conversion for
21 Happy Leaf LLC, right?

22 THE SECRETARY: Before we get there,
23 Chair, we have --

24 CHAIR: Yes --

25 THE SECRETARY: -- another ownership

1 change --

2 CHAIR: That's right --

3 THE SECRETARY: -- the -- for recusal.

4 CHAIR: Yes, Mr. Said, please make
5 everyone aware.

6 THE SECRETARY: Sure. Next on the agenda,
7 we have consideration of an ownership change
8 application for CannaVerde Dispensary. Commissioner
9 Mapp has recused herself from this ownership change
10 application for CannaVerde Dispensary due to an ongoing
11 professional relationship. On account of her recusal,
12 she will step out of the room while the board considers
13 this particular application. Afterward, Commissioner
14 Mapp will come back in and will take up the next order
15 of business.

16 MS. MAPP: Okay. After -- I'm going to
17 leave this room so can somebody text me on my personal
18 phone so I can come back downstairs?

19 CHAIR: We -- we can arrange that.

20 MS. MAPP: Thanks. Do you need me to sign
21 out and sign back in?

22 CHAIR: No, you can just leave
23 (inaudible).

24 MS. MAPP: All right. Thank you.

25 CHAIR: All right. Director Riggs, the

1 floor is yours.

2 MR. RIGGS: Thank you Chair. We have one
3 ownership change here. It is presented to the board,
4 this entity status for the regulatory requirements to -
5 - to -- for a change of ownership. They submitted that
6 application, the owners -- the new owners have been
7 vetted by our Office of Compliance and Investigations
8 and then -- then they and deemed qualified to be owners
9 in the audit use cannabis market.

10 Therefore we are recommending that the
11 board approve this ownership transfer today. Thank
12 you.

13 CHAIR: Okay. Are there any questions
14 surrounding this ownership transfer? Seeing none, is
15 there a motion? I'll make the motion.

16 MS. NASH: Second.

17 CHAIR: Awesome. Mr. Said, please call
18 the roll.

19 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Mapp is
20 recused. Commissioner Nash?

21 MS. NASH: Yes

22 THE SECRETARY: Vice Chair Ferraro?

23 VICE CHAIR: Yes.

24 THE SECRETARY: Chair Laufer?

25 CHAIR: Yes.

1 THE SECRETARY: The motion passes.

2 CHAIR: All right. Director Riggs, you'll
3 make sure to text Commissioner Mapp. Good work.
4 Sorry, I jumped ahead. We're now moving to a business
5 conversion application, but we will wait for
6 Commissioner Mapp to come down.

7 MS. MAPP: Okay. I'm back.

8 CHAIR: And we're back. So we're moving
9 on to a business conversion application for Happy Leaf
10 LLC. Director Riggs, the floor is yours.

11 MR. RIGGS: Thank you, Chair. This is a
12 micro business to standard business conversion for
13 Happy Leaf LLC. They've been operational for a year
14 before applying for this conversion and they're --
15 they're standing with the CRC. A completeness review
16 was conducted to ensure that they met the regulatory
17 requirements and therefore we are recommending that
18 they be approved to convert to a standard cannabis
19 business today. Thank you.

20 CHAIR: We love to see micro businesses
21 converting to standard businesses. This is exactly how
22 -- this is exactly how the marketplace was designed.
23 So congratulations to Happy Leaf. Is there a motion to
24 approve them?

25 MS. NASH: Chair, I move to approve Happy

1 Leaf's conversion

2 CHAIR: Is there a second?

3 MS. MAPP: I second.

4 CHAIR: Mr. Said, please call the roll.

5 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Mapp?

6 MS. MAPP: Yes.

7 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Nash?

8 MS. NASH: Yes.

9 THE SECRETARY: Vice Chair Ferraro?

10 VICE CHAIR: Yes.

11 THE SECRETARY: Chair Laufer?

12 CHAIR: Yes.

13 THE SECRETARY: The motion passes.

14 CHAIR: Excellent. Next. We have
15 cannabis business applications. We're doing a
16 conditional to annual conversion. Director Riggs, the
17 floor is yours.

18 MR. RIGGS: Thank you, Chair. We are
19 going to first do the conditional annual conversions.
20 That's correct. We have two applications up for
21 consideration today. They're both retailers. They
22 have followed our licensing process through the
23 priority assignment and the priority verification
24 process. Completeness review was conducted by our
25 Office of Licensing, where the applications were then

1 scored.

2 Then they underwent a qualifications
3 review where individuals, financial sources, and
4 management services agreement are reviewed by our
5 compliance team for regulatory compliance. Background
6 checks are conducted on the individuals that are
7 necessarily need to be background checked. And then
8 quality control was conducted. We are recommending
9 that both of these applications be approved by the
10 board today. Thank you.

11 CHAIR: Thank you. Are there any
12 questions on behalf of the board surrounding these two
13 applications? If not, is anybody available to make a
14 motion?

15 MS. MAPP: I make the motion that we
16 accept both conversions as presented by Director Riggs.

17 CHAIR: Is there a second?

18 MS. NASH: Second.

19 CHAIR: Mr. Said, you know the drill.

20 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Mapp?

21 MS. MAPP: Yes.

22 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Nash?

23 MS. NASH: Yes.

24 THE SECRETARY: Vice Chair Ferraro?

25 VICE CHAIR: Yes.

1 THE SECRETARY: Chair Laufer?

2 CHAIR: Yes.

3 THE SECRETARY: The motion passes.

4 CHAIR: Next, we have annual applications.

5 Director Riggs, the floor is now yours.

6 MR. RIGGS: Thank you, Chair. We have
7 four annual applications presented to the board today,
8 three manufacturers and one retailer. These
9 applications follow the same process that I just
10 previously articulated. They've been reviewed, they've
11 been scored, and now we are recommending that they be
12 approved by the board. Thank you.

13 CHAIR: Okay. Are there any questions
14 surrounding these four applications for approval? If
15 not, is there a motion to approve?

16 MS. NASH: Motion to approve the annual
17 license applications.

18 MS. MAPP: I second.

19 CHAIR: All right. Mr. Said?

20 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Mapp?

21 MS. MAPP: Yes.

22 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Nash?

23 MS. NASH: Yes.

24 THE SECRETARY: Vice Chair Ferraro?

25 VICE CHAIR: Yes.

1 THE SECRETARY: Chair Laufer?

2 CHAIR: Yes.

3 THE SECRETARY: The motion passes.

4 CHAIR: Next, we have expanded ATC
5 certification application. Director Riggs?

6 THE SECRETARY: Thank you, Chair. We have
7 an expanded ATC certification for GTI New Jersey. It's
8 a Class 5 Retailer in Paramus. The application has
9 been reviewed. The statutory requirements are met as
10 required by law. They've certified that they have
11 sufficient quantities of medical cannabis and medical
12 cannabis products available to meet the reasonably
13 anticipated needs of registered qualifying patients.

14 And therefore we are recommending that
15 they be approved to expand their Class 5 Retailer.
16 Thank you.

17 CHAIR: Are there any questions
18 surrounding this expanded ATC certification? Seeing
19 none, is there a motion to approve the expanded ATC
20 certification for GTI?

21 MS. MAPP: So moved.

22 MS. NASH: Second.

23 CHAIR: Is there a second? There we go.
24 Mr. Said, your favorite part.

25 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Mapp?

1 MS. MAPP: Yes.

2 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Nash?

3 MS. NASH: Yes.

4 THE SECRETARY: Vice Chair Ferraro?

5 VICE CHAIR: Yes.

6 THE SECRETARY: Chair Laufer?

7 CHAIR: Yes.

8 THE SECRETARY: The motion passes.

9 CHAIR: Next, we have a cannabis
10 consumption area endorsement. Director Riggs.

11 MR. RIGGS: Last but not least, we do, we
12 have a cannabis consumption area endorsement
13 application for Xena NJ LLC. They are a classified
14 retailer in Jersey City. As a reminder, the cannabis
15 consumption area is an endorsement on a classified
16 retail license. It needs to be attached to the brick
17 and mortar store. They have submitted their plans.

18 Our Office of Compliance and Investigation
19 has reviewed those plans and their standard operating
20 procedures, and we are recommending that they be
21 approved to operate a consumption area out of their
22 Class 5 Retailer establishment in Jersey City. Thank
23 you.

24 CHAIR: Are there any questions
25 surrounding this consumption area endorsement? If not,

1 can somebody please make a motion?

2 MS. NASH: Chair, I move to approve this
3 consumption area endorsement.

4 MS. MAPP: I second.

5 CHAIR: Mr. Said?

6 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Mapp?

7 MS. MAPP: Yes.

8 THE SECRETARY: Commissioner Nash?

9 MS. NASH: Yes.

10 THE SECRETARY: Vice Chair Ferraro?

11 VICE CHAIR: Yes, count me in.

12 THE SECRETARY: Chair Laufer?

13 CHAIR: Yes.

14 THE SECRETARY: The motion passes.

15 CHAIR: And now for the most contentious
16 part of the meeting, a motion to adjourn. I know
17 nobody wants it, but it's what's next on the agenda.
18 Is there a motion to adjourn?

19 MS. MAPP: So moved.

20 CHAIR: Is there a second?

21 MS. NASH: Second.

22 CHAIR: Let's try and limit debate here.
23 All in favor?

24 MS. NASH: Aye.

25 MS. MAPP: Aye.

1 CHAIR: We are officially adjourned.
2 Thank you everybody for being flexible on this special
3 meeting. Great job to the staff. You guys got it
4 together super quick. Great meeting. Thanks guys.

5 MR. RIGGS: Thanks everyone. Have a great
6 (inaudible).

7 MS. MAPP: Thank you. Thanks everyone.
8 Have a great one. Bye.

9 VICE CHAIR: Thank you to Krista for
10 allowing me to (inaudible).

11 (Meeting concluded)

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