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## ORDER

JUDITH A. NASON  
*Executive Director*

### ALLOCATION OF RACE DATES TO THOROUGHBRED PERMIT HOLDER FOR 2022

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Racing Commission ("Commission") received timely applications for thoroughbred permits and race dates at Monmouth Park and the Meadowlands racetrack;

**WHEREAS**, the Commission received a timely application for a special steeplechase permit with one steeplechase race date being requested at Moorland Farm in Bedminster, New Jersey and Far Hills, New Jersey;

**WHEREAS**, the Commission considered all information submitted in connection with the permit applications, applications for race dates and the public comment offered at its November 17, 2021, January 26, 2022 and March 23, 2022 public meetings;

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association ("THA") requested 62 race dates for Monmouth Park starting May 7, 2022 and ending September 18, 2022;

**WHEREAS**, the THA requested 9 race dates for the Meadowlands Racetrack starting on September 23, 2022 and ending on October 22, 2022;



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**WHEREAS**, the THA requested one thoroughbred steeplechase race date for Moorland Farms on October 15, 2022;

**WHEREAS**, the race dates applied for satisfy the conditions of the Off-Track and Account Wagering Act, N.J.S.A. 5:5-127 et seq.;

**WHEREAS**, the Commission provided notice to the governing bodies of the Borough of Far Hills, New Jersey, and Bedminster Township, New Jersey, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 5:5-38.2(f) and the governing bodies did not object to the issuance of the special permit by passing a resolution within 30 days;

**AND THE COMMISSION FINDING THAT** approval of the race date applications would be in the public interest as set forth in N.J.S.A. 5:5-22 et seq., specifically as provided for in N.J.S.A. 5:5-43 and -44;

**AND THE COMMISSION FINDING THAT** approval of the requested race dates is consistent with the Commission's obligation to endeavor to allot to each applicant the dates requested in the respective applications after giving due consideration to all factors involved, including the interests of the applicants, the industry participants and the public;

**AND THE COMMISSION FINDING THAT** the proposed schedule of thoroughbred racing dates, while not achieving a year-round circuit, will provide for a reasonable continuity of racing from May 7, 2022 through October 22, 2022;

**AND THE COMMISSION FINDING THAT** the proposed schedule of thoroughbred racing dates will serve to promote the thoroughbred racing industry, maintain and enhance the employment which it provides, encourage thoroughbred owners to keep their horses in New Jersey, provide revenue to the State and horsemen, help the State maintain and improve its competitive position in relation to neighboring states and provide for recreational opportunities for New Jersey residents who attend thoroughbred races;

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT** the 2022 thoroughbred race dates request of the THA is approved subject to acceptance of the conditions set forth in Schedule A which is attached to this Order and incorporated herein.

This Order memorializes the action taken by the Commission at its November 17, 2021, January 26, 2022 and March 23, 2022 meetings.

**NEW JERSEY RACING COMMISSION**

By: Judith A. Nason  
Judith A. Nason, Executive Director

Dated: April 4, 2022