October 6, 2021 9200 Basil Court Largo, MD 20774 Virtual Hearing

PRESENT:

Armando Camacho, Vice Chairman Tammy Sparkman, Commissioner Tammy Norman, Commissioner Jason Deloach, Esquire, Counsel Terence Sheppard, Director Patricia Bell, Administrative Manager Robert Clark, Chief Liquor Inspector Christian Mendoza, Deputy Chief Liquor Inspector Johnny Toles, Deputy Chief Liquor Inspector Leonard Vauss, Administrative Assistant Keyanna Little, Administrative Aide Katrice James, Administrative Aide Jamie Schaefer, Administrative Aide

Start Time: 7:07 p.m.

Commissioner Camacho: I'm going to go over a few house rules. We understand that we're in a network situation with connectivity issues, we ask that you mute your computers or cell phones until you're called. We operate under the Maryland Open Meetings Act, any transactions, all of our testimony, and discussions between Commissioners is done in the open and totally transparent. When we do call cases and we experience connectivity issues we will pause that case, exceed to the next case, and allow you to reestablish connectivity with us. Additionally, I'll explain the procedure, the Director will call the case, I'll swear in whoever is going to be testifying, after the testimony is taken, I'll ask for a motion, someone will second the motion and then we'll take a vote. We normally have five Commissioners, but our Chairwoman isn't with us today and Commissioner Smith had to tend to an emergency.

Director Sheppard: In this virtual environment the board of licensed commissioners has instituted a 10- day rule. We have implemented a 10-day rule to give those individuals here today, 10-days from today's dated to add to the official record. I would ask that you email myself or the administrative staff. You may add information to the record so long as it is information that has been discussed in this hearing. If the board so chooses to accept that evidence, then they will render a decision.

REGULAR SESSION:

1. **t/a Barnabas Liquors**, Class A, Beer, Wine and Liquor, Barnabas Liquors, Inc., 4620 St. Barnabas Road, Store A, Temple Hills, 20748 – Request for a Special Sunday Sales Permit.

Applicant does not have an attorney, acknowledge right to an attorney, and agree to move forward without representation. Applicant explains to the Board how he plans to reinvest \$50,000 into the business.

2. t/a Strick's Restaurant, Class B+, Beer, Wine and Liquor, Strick's Inc., 3211 Branch Avenue, Silver Hill, 20748 – Request for a Special Sunday Sales Permit.

Did not appear for the hearing.

3. t/a Laurel Plaza Liquors, Class A, Beer, Wine and Liquor, LP 198, LLC, 9626 Fort Meade Road, Laurel, 20707 – Request for a Special Sunday Sales Permit.

Applicant does not have an attorney, acknowledge right to an attorney, and agree to move forward without representation. Applicant explains to the Board how she plans to reinvest \$50,000 into the business.

4. t/a Bell's Drive In Liquors, Class A, Beer, Wine and Liquor, OHMKAR, LLC, 5901 Central Avenue, Capitol Heights, 20743 – Request for a Special Sunday Sales Permit.

Applicant does not have an attorney, acknowledge right to an attorney, and agree to move forward without representation. Applicant explains to the Board how he plans to reinvest \$50,000 into the business.

5. **t/a Hilltop Wine and Spirits**, Class A, Beer, Wine and Liquor, Hilltop Liquors, Inc., 6856-58 Race Track Road, Bowie, 20716 – Request for a Special Sunday Sales Permit.

Applicant does not have an attorney, acknowledge right to an attorney, and agree to move forward without representation. Applicant explains to the Board how he plans to reinvest \$50,000 into the business.

 t/a Hyattsville Spirits & Grill, Class B+, Beer, Wine and Liquor, Liquor Hut, LLC, 5350 Queens Chapel Road, Hyattsville, 20782 – Request for a Special Sunday Sales Permit. Represented by Robert Kim, Esquire.

Applicant's attorney, Mr. Kim, explains to the Board how his client plans to reinvest \$50,000 into the business.

 t/a Blue Sky Liquors, Class A, Beer, Wine and Liquor, Blue Sky Wine & Spirits, LLC, 6430 Central Avenue, Seat Pleasant, 20743 – Request for a Special Sunday Sales Permit. Represented by Linda Carter, Esquire.

Applicant's attorney, Ms. Carter, explains to the Board how her client plans to reinvest \$50,000 into the business.

8. t/a G.I. Liquors, Class A, Beer, Wine and Liquor, Sea and Sky, Inc., 6712 Suitland Road, Suitland, 20746 – Request for a Special Sunday Sales Permit. Represented by Bruce Kurlander, Esquire.

Applicant's attorney, Mr. Kurlander, explains to the Board how his client plans to reinvest \$50,000 into the business.

 t/a Big Daddy's Barbeque & Discount Liquor, Class B+, Beer, Wine and Liquor, Big Daddy's Barbeque & Discounted Liquors, LLC, 9430 Annapolis Road, Lanham 20706 – Request for a Special Sunday Sales Permit.

Applicant is represented by Eddie Pounds. Mr. Pounds explains to the Board how his client plans to reinvest \$50,000 into the business.

 t/a Chesapeake Liquors, Class A, Beer, Wine and Liquor, Clinton Crossing Wine and Spirits, Inc., 8853 Branch Avenue, Clinton, 20735 – Request for a Special Sunday Sales Permit.

Applicant does not have an attorney, acknowledge right to an attorney, and agree to move forward without representation. Applicant explains to the Board how he plans to reinvest \$50,000 into the business.

11. t/a Zach's Liquors, Class A, Beer, Wine and Liquor, Yaani, LLC, 6519 Annapolis Road, Hyattsville, 20784 – Request for a Special Sunday Sales Permit.

Applicant does not have an attorney, acknowledge right to an attorney, and agree to move forward without representation. Applicant explains to the Board how he plans to reinvest \$50,000 into the business.

After receiving testimony, each Commissioner selected his/her top choice.

Commissioner Camacho – Hilltop Wine and Spirits Commissioner Norman – Hilltop Wine and Spirits Commissioner Sparkman – Hilltop Wine and Spirits

After Board vote, the motion carries to award the Sunday Off-Sale Permit to Hilltop Wine and Spirits.

End Time: 9:14 p.m.