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OLCC Commissioners Ratify Stipulated Alcohol and Bottle Bill Settlements; Renew Retail Sales Agreements

PORTLAND, OR. – At its monthly meeting Feb. 21, 2019, the Commissioners of the Oregon Liquor Control Commission ratified the following fines and suspensions based on stipulated settlement:

Christos Pizzeria, 1108 Broadway NE, Salem, will pay a \$1,485.00 civil penalty or serve a nine-day suspension for licensees' employees, agents, servants or representatives failing to verify the age of a minor, before allowing her to buy or be served an alcoholic beverage when she reasonably appeared to be under 26 years of age. Licensees are Michael and Lisa Learn.

The Grotto Pizzeria, 302 E Main Street, Talent, will either: a) pay a \$6,435 civil penalty and serve a 27-day suspension; or b) serve a 66-day suspension. Licensee or licensee's employees, agents, servants or representatives sold or offered for sale alcoholic beverages in a manner other than the license permitted when they sold or offered for sale alcoholic beverages in their parking lot without a Temporary Use of an Annual License. Additionally, licensee drank an alcoholic beverage while on duty, and then made a false statement to an OLCC inspector in order to induce or prevent action by the Commission when he stated he had not been drinking while on duty. Licensee is Grotto Restaurant, LLC; Chere Mouyios, Managing Member; David Monroe, Lorene Monroe and Tony Mouyios, Members.

Whammy Bar, 1620 Williams Hwy., Grants Pass, will either: a) serve a 53-day suspension; or b) pay a \$4,950 civil penalty and serve a 23-day suspension. Licensee was under the influence of intoxicants while on duty, when she put herself on duty, during a disturbance at the licensed premises after consuming alcoholic beverages. Licensee also concealed potential evidence, or attempted to do so; and refused to give a police officer evidence when the officer lawfully requested it and/or asked another person to do these things. Licensee and/or its employees, agents, servants or representatives additionally failed to appoint a new server education designee within 20 days and/or failed to give the Commission written notification of the appointment of a new server education designee within 10 days when the existing server education designee terminated employment. Licensee is CCCRC, LLC; Christine Piatt, member.

Grind Gentleman's Club, 15826 SE Division St., Portland, will pay a \$2,640 civil penalty or serve a 16-day suspension for three separate incidents in which the licensee and/or licensee's employees, agents, servants or representatives permitted disorderly activities on the licensed premises or in areas the licensee controls that are adjacent to or outside the premises. Licensee and/or licensee's employees, agents, servants or representatives destroyed, removed and/or concealed potential evidence, or refused

to provide an OLCC regulatory employee evidence when lawfully requested. Licensee is TERMD Corp.; Daniel Hawke, President/Secretary/Director/Stockholder.

The Grove Café and Lounge, 521 E. Main St., Cottage Grove, will pay a \$1,155 civil penalty or serve a seven-day suspension for the licensee’s employees permitting a minor to be in an area of the premises that is prohibited to minors. Licensee is Eclipse Business Services, Inc.; Brent Hoover, President/Treasurer/Secretary/Director/Stockholder.

Commissioners ratified the following stipulated settlements for violations of the Oregon Bottle Bill by willfully refusing to accept empty beverage and refusing to pay the customer the value of those containers:

Safeway Store #2696, 14840 SE Webster Rd., Milwaukie, will pay a \$990.00 civil penalty or serve a six-day suspension. Staff added two days of aggravation because licensee received a prior notice for an employee refusing to accept empty beverage containers. Licensee is Safeway, Inc.; Jim Donald, President; Robert Gordon, Director; Gary Morton, Secretary; Robert Dimond, Vice President; Lisa Gray, Director; Robert Miller, Director; Albertson’s Companies, LLC, stockholder.

Commissioners ratified the following licensing stipulated settlement:

Odds Are, 726 SE Grand Ave., in order to be issued the license, licensee will accept license restrictions cutting off the sale of alcohol at 1:30 a.m. and possession of alcohol at 2 a.m., prohibiting re-entry into the premises after 1:30 a.m. and limiting the amount of alcohol patrons may possess at one time and the amount of alcohol in each drink. The area the licensee seeks to operate constitutes a problem area, which is a basis for the Commission to restrict the application.

Commissioners renewed the Retail Sales Agreements for the following existing retail liquor store agents. The following four agents renew for five years:

- Harrisburg #1109** – Mike Singh
- Jordan Valley #1136** – James Zatica
- Bly #1044** – William Essig Jr.
- Christmas Valley #1223** – Julie Sutherland

The following two agents renew for 10 years:

- Winston #1029** – David Carton
- Roseburg East #1095** – Frank Mesa Jr.

Retail liquor agents are private, independent contractors; they are not state employees. The Retail Services Division of the OLCC works closely with liquor agents to help them understand and follow liquor regulations and store operating procedures.

Commissioners additionally heard a staff update on the ongoing legislative session.

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