

DIANNA HOUENOU, Chair SAMUEL DELGADO, Vice Chair KRISTA NASH, Commissioner MARIA DEL CID-KOSSO, Commissioner CHARLES BARKER, Commissioner CHRIS RIGGS, Acting Executive

## RESOLUTION 2024-<u>297</u> WAIVER OF N.J.A.C. 17:30-3.4(d)

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, N.J.A.C. 17:30-3.7 provides that the Commission may waive a regulatory requirement regarding the operations of a cannabis business if such waiver is necessary to achieve the purpose of the Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act, N.J.S.A. 24:6I-31, et seq. (P.L.2021, c.16); is necessary to provide access to cannabis items to consumers; and does not create a danger to public health, safety, or welfare; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-3.4(d), beginning when the Commission adjusts the Social Equity Excise Fee in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:30-3.4(c), the Commission shall provide notice of the fee in the New Jersey Register by November 1 of the current year, to be effective on January 1 of the next calendar year; and

WHEREAS, the Commission finds that waiver of N.J.A.C. 17:30-3.4(d), as articulated above, is necessary to achieve the purpose of the Act, is necessary to provide access to cannabis items to consumers; and does not create a danger to public health, safety, or welfare. The Commission has determined that it needs more time past the November 1 deadline to determine the fee for calendar year 2025.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that N.J.A.C. 17:30-3.4(d) is hereby waived. This waiver shall take effect immediately and shall remain in place until further formal action by the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission is taken to rescind or amend this waiver.

Submitted by:

Dianna Houenou, Chair

PHILLIP D. MURPHY Governor

TAHESHA L. WAY Lt. Governor

## 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 30<sup>th</sup> day of October 2024.

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Dave Tuason, Chief Counsel

Vote on the Approval of This Resolution	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Commissioner Barker	Х		Х			
Commissioner Del Cid-Kosso		Х	Х			
Commissioner Delgado				Х		
Chairwoman Houenou			Х			
Commissioner Nash				Х		