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## RESOLUTION 2025-<u>02-18-04</u> APPROVAL OF APPLICATIONS TO MODIFY CAPACITY, PHYSICAL PLANT, PREMISES, OR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

**WHEREAS**, P.L.2019, c.153, "Jake Honig Compassionate Use Medical Cannabis Act" ("the Act") authorizes a process for the receipt of applications and issuances of permits to operate Alternative Treatment Centers ("ATC") in the state of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the authority to regulate and enforce activities related to medical cannabis previously vested in the New Jersey Department of Health ("the Department"), and now vests in the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission ("the Commission") pursuant to the Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commission is also charged with implementing the provisions of P.L.2021, c.16, known and cited as the "New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act" ("the CREAMM Act"), which vests in the Commission the authority to regulate and enforce activities related to personal-use cannabis; and

**WHEREAS**, the regulations for medical cannabis provide a process at N.J.A.C. 17:30A-7.8 for amendments to an ATC's permit, including a change in the ATC's capacity or modification of or addition to the ATC's physical plant; and

**WHEREAS**, the regulations for personal-use cannabis provide a process at N.J.A.C. 17:30-9.2 for changes to a cannabis business license, including modification of cannabis business' capacity, physical plant, premises, or administrative office; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Resolution 2022-10, the Executive Director or his designee has been delegated the authority to approve applications for facility modifications pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30A-7.8 and N.J.A.C. 17:30-9.2(a)(5) so long as the modification sought would not alter the business's authorized canopy size or otherwise substantially affect the business's operations; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30A-7.10, the fee to apply for a change in the ATC's capacity or any physical modification or addition to the facility is \$2,000; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-7.17, the fee to apply for a change or modification of the cannabis business' capacity or physical plant is \$2,000; and

**WHEREAS**, Brute's Roots LLC, an expanded Alternative Treatment Center ("expanded ATC") approved as a vertically integrated ATC pursuant to the New Jersey Department of Health's 2019 Request for Applications, is authorized to cultivate medical cannabis within a maximum canopy size of 30,000 square feet; and

**WHEREAS**, has requested to expand its adult-use cannabis canopy size from a Tier I to a Tier VI; and

**WHEREAS**, Brute's Roots LLC has followed the requirements set forth at N.J.A.C. 17:30-9.2; and

**WHEREAS**, Hamilton Farms LLC, a Class 1 Cannabis Cultivator, has requested approval of a physical plant modification to add 10 container farms to their existing site; and

**WHEREAS**, Hamilton Farms LLC has additionally requested approval for an unspecified number of additional containers for future purchase, as needed, up to the maximum square footage permitted under their Tier I cultivation canopy; and

**WHEREAS**, Hamilton Farms LLC has followed the requirements set forth at N.J.A.C. 17:30-9.2; and

**WHEREAS**, the entities' requested modifications would alter the business's authorized canopy size or otherwise substantially affect the business's operations;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-9.2, concerning modifications of a cannabis business license, the following applications to modify the business capacity, physical plant, premises, or administrative office are hereby **APPROVED**, pending payment of the requisite fees in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:30-7.17 and subject to passing a final onsite assessment:

- Change in Capacity: Brute's Roots LLC is approved to expand their adult-use cannabis cultivation canopy from Tier I (no more than 10,000 square feet) to Tier VI (100,000 square feet to 150,000 square feet). Nothing herein shall be construed to authorize an increase in the business's authorized maximum medical cannabis canopy.
- Change in Physical Plant: Hamilton Farms LLC is approved to add 10 container farms to their existing physical plant and to add additional containers for future use, up to the maximum square footage permitted under their Tier I cultivation canopy.

Submitted by:

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Dianna Houenou, Chair

## **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 18th day of February 2025.

Dave Tuason, Chief Counsel

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