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May 31, 2022

Via Electronic Mail and USPS First Class Mail

Ms. Jessica Robinson

Subject: Notice of Revocation of Registry Identification Card(s)

Dear Ms. Jessica Robinson

The Maine Department of Administrative & Financial Services, Office of Cannabis Policy (Department) is responsible for the administration and oversight of the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Program (MMMP). Protection for authorized conduct requires compliance with the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act and program rules. Pursuant to its authority under 22 M.R.S., Chapter 558-C, §2430-F, the Department revokes the following Registry Identification Card(s): CGR27459. Such revocations are effective three (3) calendar days after the date of this notice.

## I. Justification for revocation:

The Department's decision to revoke your Registry Identification Card(s) is based on your violation of the Maine Medical Use of Marijuana Act. More specifically, the Department's MMMP field investigation staff have provided the Department with sufficient evidence to demonstrate the following statutory and regulatory violations:

- Field Investigator William Brochu investigated three incidents where it was alleged that Stony Brook Apothecary was either not asking to see a patient card when making a sale to a patient or was in fact selling medical cannabis products to non-patients. The first incident investigated occurred on November 11, 2021. The second incident occurred on November 20, 2021. The third incident occurred on February 21, 2022. All three incidents were video, and audio recorded. The incidents involved purchases of cannabis pre-rolls and flower at Stony Brook Apothecary by a non-patient. As part of the investigation process, Field Investigator William Brochu met with you on March 29, 2022 and spoke with you about the allegations and reviewed your records. As a result of the investigation and an interview with you the following violations were noted including but not limited to:
  - On November 11, 2021, November 20, 2021 and February 21, 2022 employees at your retail store were video, and audio recorded selling cannabis products to nonpatients. Because the store is owned by you, you are in violation of 22 MRS ss 2430-F (2), Sales to non-patients.

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- 2. When Field Investigators reviewed your transaction logs for the dates involving the sale to non-patients, it was determined that said sales were not recorded. This is a violation of 22 MRS ss 2430-G (1) (A) (1), Failure to maintain records of all transfers of plant and harvested cannabis.
- 3. Field Investigator Brochu inquired the names of the employees involved with the sales to non-patients. You identified Richard Cavallaro and Christian Martin from the photos presented. Martin is not a registered caregiver assistant to you in the medical cannabis program. This is a violation of 22 MRS ss 2423-A (2) (I), Failure to register all assistants who are 21 years of age or older to assist in performing the duties of the caregiver.
- 4. The packaging that contained the pre-rolls purchased during the third incident by a non-patient were determined to be not opaque or child resistant. This is a violation of 22 MRS ss 2429-A (1) (A) (B).

For these reasons, your eligibility to participate in the MMMP has been revoked. Please immediately return your Registry Identification Card to:

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II. Registration Revocation and Right to Request an Informal Hearing:

Pursuant to 22 M.R.S. §2430-F, the Department may suspend or revoke a registry identification card for violation of Chapter 558-C and the rules adopted by the Department. A person who has had authorization for conduct under Chapter 558-C revoked due to failure to comply with Chapter 558-C and rules adopted by the Department may request an informal hearing. If you would like to request an informal hearing, please notify the Department in writing within thirty (30) calendar days of the revocation effective date at the address information provided above. A request for an informal hearing should be sent to Vernon Malloch, Deputy Director of Operations by email at <a href="Vernon.Malloch@maine.gov">Vernon.Malloch@maine.gov</a> or USPS at 162 State House Station, 19 Union Street, Augusta, Maine 04333-0062. If the Department does not receive a hearing request in accordance with the policy, the revocation becomes final.

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Sincerely,

Michael W. Field

Director of Compliance Office of Cannabis Policy

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