

CITY COUNCIL OF EAST ORANGE

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**RESOLUTION
NO. 1 410**

Resolution offered by Council Member HOLMAN

RESOLUTION EXTENDING LOCAL SUPPORT FOR KRESS GREEN LLC TO OPERATE AS A STANDARD CANNABIS RETAILER IN THE CITY

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of P.L. 2021, c. 16, known as the “New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act,” the City of East Orange adopted Ordinance No. 45-2021, as amended from time-to-time to regulate and tax cannabis businesses within the City (the “Cannabis Ordinance”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-7.8, and N.J.A.C. 17:30-7.10 applicants for cannabis business licenses need to submit proof of local support from the City in the form of a resolution from the City Council as part of either their conversion-to-annual or annual license application(s) to the State Cannabis Regulatory Commission (“CRC”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Notice of Local Support Application Acceptance dated October 17, 2022, the City’s Board of Cannabis Control (“BCC”) scored and heard Kress Green LLC’s (“Applicant”) local support application to operate as a Standard Cannabis Retailer (“Standard Retailer”) in the City, and endorsed Applicant to the City Council for a resolution of local support; and

WHEREAS, the City Council deliberated on the BCC’s endorsement of Applicant and, having determined that Applicant was eligible and deserving of a resolution of local support, issued to Applicant Resolution No. I-149 which expired on or about October 24, 2023 (the “Resolution”); and

WHEREAS, Applicant having appeared before the BCC on October 5, 2023, to request an extension of the Resolution on the basis its conversion-to-annual Standard Retailer license application was still pending before the CRC, and for good cause shown, the BCC voted to approve Applicant for an endorsement extending the Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the City Council hereby agrees to extend the Resolution for another six-month period; and

WHEREAS, Cannabis Ordinance authorizes up to six (6) Standard Retailer permits to be issued to Applicants; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the issuance of a Standard Retailer license to Applicant by the CRC would not exceed any local permitting limits; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the East Orange City Council hereby authorizes the issuance of this resolution extending local support to Applicant for the purpose described herein; and

| Council Member | AYE | NAY | N.V. | A.B. |
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| GOMEZ | ✓ | | | |
| CLAYBROOKS | ✓ | | | |
| BRENT | | | | ✓ |
| GARRETT-WARD | ✓ | | | |
| LENEUS | ✓ | | | |

| Council Member | AYE | NAY | N.V. | A.B. |
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| HOLMAN | ✓ | | | |
| PULLINS | ✓ | | | |
| LEWIS | ✓ | | | |
| JAMES | | | | ✓ |
| AWE | ✓ | | | |

X - Indicates Vote A.B. – Absent N.V - Not Voting (Abstained or Excused)
Action on Veto - ✓ To Sustain ✓✓ To Over-Ride

VOTES REQUIRED _____

Approved as to:
 Factual Contents Cynthia S. Brown Appropriation Comptroller

Form and Legality Christina Lopez
 Counsel

Tabled _____ Removed from Table _____
 Presented to Mayor December 12, 2023 Adopted December 11, 2023

Approved Ted R. Green, Mayor Christina Lopez, City Council Chairman

Vetoed December 13, 2023 _____, City Clerk
 Cynthia S. Brown

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, pursuant to the Cannabis Ordinance the foregoing resolution extending local support shall expire 180 days from the date of issuance, unless extended by the City Counsel in its sole discretion.

| Council Member | AYE | NAY | N.V. | A.B |
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 Appropriation _____

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 _____ **Counsel**

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Adopted _____ **2023**

Approved _____
 _____ **Ted R. Green, Mayor**

 _____ **Christopher Aye, City Council Chairman**

Vetoed _____

 _____ **Cynthia S. Brown** _____ **City Clerk**

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