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BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS PUBLISHES WELCOME PACKET TO ADDRESS AND IMPROVE LICENSEE COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAWS AND RULES AND REGULATIONS

Baltimore, MD – On February 18, 2020 the Board of Liquor License Commissioners for Baltimore City (BLLC) issued its inaugural Welcome Packet for the purposes of educating licensees and improving compliance with State laws and BLLC Rules and Regulations.

The Welcome Packet provides information to licensees concerning the following subjects:

- License Types and Scope of Authority
- Keys to Safe and Legal Operation
- Being a Good Neighbor
- The Inspection Process
- Renewal/Protest of Renewal
- How to file Transfer applications, Hardship Requests, and Requests to Reopen
- Pub Crawl Information
- Ancillary Privileges (outdoor table service, live entertainment, catering, etc.)
- The BLLC's Community Engagement Initiative

A copy of the Welcome Packet shall be provided to each current licensee upon issuance of their renewal license for license year 2020-2021. In addition, the BLLC will amend its Standard Operating Procedures to require the provision of the Welcome Packet to each new license holder upon issuance of their license.

"This comprehensive Welcome Packet will provide licensees with an all-in-one resource identifying the laws and regulations to which they are subject, along with operational recommendations of the Board.," stated Chairman Albert J. Matricciani, Jr. He added, "The Welcome Packet has the added benefit of educating licensees on the BLLC's Community Engagement Initiative and identifies resources that may assist them with outreach to the various stakeholders within the City."

To obtain a copy of the Welcome Packet, please visit our website at www.llb.baltimorecity.gov. Any additional questions or concerns about this matter should be directed to Thomas R. Akras Deputy Executive Secretary at 410-396-4377 or Thomas.Akras@baltimorecity.gov.

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