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## BOARD OF LIQUOR LICENSE COMMISSIONERS FOR BALTIMORE CITY UPDATED 2023 RENEWAL REMINDER AND PUBLIC NOTICE

Baltimore, MD – The Board of Liquor License Commissioners for Baltimore City (BLLC) would like to remind all stakeholders about the recent end of the 2023 License Renewal period. 2023 License renewals should have been submitted to the BLLC by March 31<sup>st</sup>. In order for a licensed establishment to operate legally, renewals must have been processed and a new license displayed on premises by May 1<sup>st</sup>. BLLC will continue to monitor for compliance and actively address any licensed establishments that have not yet completed the process.

# ANY LICENSEE NOT DISPLAYING A VALID LICENSE WILL BE POSTERED BY BLLC INSPECTORS AS CLOSED TO ALCOHOL SALES UNTIL THE RENEWAL PROCESS IS COMPLETED.

### Licensees and the general public are hereby advised of the following:

- If a licensee is unable to display a valid license and have not yet completed renewal, a BLLC inspector or agent will place a poster on the business ordering them to "Cease and Desist" all alcohol service until further notice.
- Licensed locations with this poster will not be legally allowed to serve alcohol until they have a renewed license displayed.
  - If a licensed establishment has a kitchen, the restaurant may continue to serve food, if permitted by the Health Department.
  - If open to serve food only, all alcoholic beverages must be removed from display and may not be visible to the public.
  - Any licensed establishment that has been postered as closed to alcohol sales in this fashion may not operate as "BYOB."

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