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NC ABC COMMISSION SUSPENDS CHAPEL HILL BAR'S ABC PERMITS FOR AT LEAST 21 DAYS & FINES BUSINESS UP TO \$15,000

RALEIGH – The ABC Commission today approved a settlement that will suspend the alcohol permits held by He's Not Here for at least 21 days. In addition to losing ABC permits for three weeks, the Chapel Hill business has the choice of paying a total of \$15,000 in fines or serving a total suspension of 130 days.

The business had three 2015 violations pending before the Commission at today's regular meeting. State law limits the ABC Commission to a maximum financial penalty of \$5,000 per violation.

Including the action taken related to He's Not Here, the Commission today levied penalties in excess of \$107,000 and/or imposed suspensions of five days or more on 80 businesses that hold permits to sell alcohol in the state. Fines are due Feb.5, 2016, and suspensions begin Feb.12, 2016.

The Commission also approved a store location proposed by the Locust ABC Board and presented certificates and commemorative gifts to 14 Commission staff members with five, ten, 15 and 30 years of service.

North Carolina is one of 17 states to regulate alcohol through a control system. Since 1937, the North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission has provided regulation and control over the sale, purchase, transportation, manufacture, consumption and possession of alcoholic beverages in the state of North Carolina. <http://abc.nc.gov>.

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