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## N.C. ABC Commission Suspends Alcohol Permits for Greensboro Night Club

**RALEIGH** – In response to numerous charges of underage drinking and allegations of violence at a Greensboro nightclub in the past year, the North Carolina Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission on Friday suspended the alcohol permits issued to Music City, operating at Boeing Drive in Greensboro.

The summary suspension imposes an immediate suspension of alcohol permits without requiring a Commission vote. The action was requested by the Greensboro Police Department and agents of the state's Alcohol Law Enforcement District VI.

"The ABC Commission is exercising its authority and the duty to work with law enforcement to protect the community in matters related to alcoholic beverages," said ABC Chairman Jon Williams, who signed the orders suspending the alcohol permits held by the Greensboro club.

"We have received sworn statements from law enforcement officers alleging a shooting, a stabbing, several instances of gunfire and underage drinking violations at this establishment," he said. "We want to be very clear to all retail businesses that serve alcohol in North Carolina: obey the law or we will shut you down."

Williams added the ABC Commission intends to work closely with local law enforcement agencies across the state, and in instances that the Commission finds appropriate, it will suspend permits immediately under the authority of N.C. General Statute 150B-3(c).

### ABOUT THE ABC COMMISSION

North Carolina is one of 19 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. In fiscal year 2008, the Commission returned approximately \$250 million in taxes and revenue to benefit the General Fund and the budgets of local cities and counties that sell alcoholic beverages.

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