

IN THE MATTER OF THE	*	BEFORE THE ALCOHOLIC
APPLICATION OF ROBERT	*	
JIRAK ON BEHALF OF	*	BEVERAGE HEARING BOARD
NOTTINGHAM’S, LLC T/A	*	
NOTTINGHAM’S FOR A	*	FOR
RESIDENT AGENT CHANGE	*	
FOR A CLASS D BEER, WINE	*	HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND
AND LIQUOR 7-DAY ON	*	
SALE LICENSE	*	Case No.: 26-10
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**DECISION AND ORDER**

The Board of License Commissioners for Howard County, Maryland (the “Liquor Board”), pursuant to Rule 1.02(A) of the Liquor Board Rules and Regulations, has delegated the authority to hear and decide cases to the Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board for Howard County, Maryland (the “Hearing Board”).

On May 12, 2026, the Hearing Board heard the application of Robert Jirak (the “Applicant”), on behalf of Nottingham’s, LLC t/a Nottingham’s (“Nottingham’s”), for a resident agent change, replacing Brian Kannee, for a Class D, Beer, Wine and Liquor, 7-day on-sale license for a 7,826 sq. ft. restaurant with a 1,600 sq. ft. patio located at 8850 Stanford Boulevard, Columbia, MD 21045.

The hearing was properly advertised, and the property posted pursuant to the Alcoholic Beverages Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland. The Applicant was not represented by counsel and there were no protestants who appeared in opposition to the application.

All the documents on file were incorporated into the record by reference.

**SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY**

Robert Jirak, 17% interest holder and proposed resident agent, was sworn in and testified

before the Hearing Board.

Mr. Jirak testified that he has been in the restaurant industry for 25 years and that he has worked at Nottingham's for about 13 years. Mr. Jirak stated that he started as the general manager, that he is now a managing partner, and that no changes are being made to the restaurant. Mr. Jirak stated that he is at the restaurant 6 to 7 days a week working 60 to 70 hours a week. Mr. Jirak stated that he is unaware of any alcohol violations. Mr. Jirak stated that he is no longer a manager at Fast Eddies in Virginia and that he has no financial interest with that business. Mr. Jirak stated that the restaurant employs a daytime manager, an evening manager and a security manager who are all Alcohol Awareness Certified.

Pursuant to Rule 6.13 of the Liquor Board Rules and Regulations, the Applicant waived his right to request the Liquor Board to hear the case.

Based on the evidence presented at the hearing, the Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law:

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. The Hearing Board finds that Robert Jirak (the "Applicant"), on behalf of Nottingham's, LLC t/a Nottingham's ("Nottingham's"), has applied for a resident agent change, replacing Brian Kannee, for a Class D, Beer, Wine and Liquor, 7-day on-sale license for a 7,826 sq. ft. restaurant with a 1,600 sq. ft. patio located at 8850 Stanford Boulevard, Columbia, MD 21045.

2. The Hearing Board finds that the Applicant is a fit and proper person to hold an alcoholic beverage license.

3. The Hearing Board finds that Robert Jirak, the resident agent applicant, meets the requirements of Rules 1.10(S), 1.10(T), and 2.06 of the Liquor Board Rules and Regulations

concerning resident agent qualifications.

4. The Hearing Board finds that the granting of the application is necessary for the accommodation of the public.

5. The Hearing Board finds that the granting of the application will not unduly disturb the peace and safety of the residents of the neighborhood.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

1. The Hearing Board concludes that Robert Jirak (the “Applicant”), on behalf of Nottingham’s, LLC t/a Nottingham’s (“Nottingham’s”), has applied for a resident agent change, replacing Brian Kannee, for a Class D, Beer, Wine and Liquor, 7-day on-sale license for a 7,826 sq. ft. restaurant with a 1,600 sq. ft. patio located at 8850 Stanford Boulevard, Columbia, MD 21045.

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4. The Hearing Board concludes that the granting of the application is necessary for the accommodation of the public.

5. The Hearing Board concludes that the granting of the application will not unduly disturb the peace and safety of the residents of the neighborhood.

### **ORDER**

For the foregoing reasons, it is this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2026, by the Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board of Howard County **ORDERED** that the application of Robert

Jirak (the “Applicant”), on behalf of Nottingham’s, LLC t/a Nottingham’s (“Nottingham’s”), for a resident agent change, replacing Brian Kannee, for a Class D, Beer, Wine and Liquor, 7-day on-sale license for a 7,826 sq. ft. restaurant with a 1,600 sq. ft. patio located at 8850 Stanford Boulevard, Columbia, MD 21045, be and the same is hereby **GRANTED**, subject to the following conditions:

- (a) That the Applicant comply with all State and County laws and regulations; and
- (b) That the Applicant satisfy any requirements necessary to obtain the license by November 12, 2026 unless that deadline is extended by the Hearing Board upon good cause shown; and
- (c) Failure to comply with these conditions shall render this Proposed Decision and Order null and void.

ATTEST:

**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE HEARING  
BOARD OF HOWARD COUNTY,  
MARYLAND**

Kel L. Berg  
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Board Administrator

/S/  
Steven Chen, Chairperson

ABSENT  
Steve Hunt, Vice-Chairperson

**REVIEWED BY HOWARD COUNTY  
OFFICE OF LAW  
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/S/  
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Senior Assistant County Solicitor

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/S/  
Claire Kim, Member