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Liquor Control Commission Underage Compliance January Report

SPRINGFIELD – In January, the Illinois Liquor Control Commission (ILCC) conducted compliance checks around the state and visited 24 businesses licensed to sell liquor. They cited 11 for violations of liquor control laws.

This is a monthly aggregated report of all the underage compliance investigations conducted in the month of January. The ILCC may release results on individual investigations through shorter press releases throughout the month.

The monthly aggregated report lists all the results of ongoing undercover and cooperative law enforcement operations conducted by Illinois Liquor Control Commission (ILCC) agents, local law enforcement officials and volunteers from high schools and colleges. The teams randomly visit liquor stores, restaurants, and bars in communities around the state to check for ongoing compliance with state laws mandating that no liquor is sold to minors under the age of 21. ILCC agents also work with local and state law enforcement agents to focus on communities with a high incidence of underage liquor sales.

Below is the bulleted list by location of which establishments violated the law by selling alcohol to ILCC underage participants. Because the visits are random in nature, certain areas of the State are visited at certain times of the year.

Jersey County – January 6th, the ILCC and the Jersey County Sheriff's Department conducted underage alcohol checks. Of the 8 licensees checked, *three* sold alcohol to ILCC underage participants. Those licensees were:

- DO DROP INN, 15281 STATE HIGHWAY 109, DOW, IL 62022-3227
- BB'S BAR & GRILL, 112 W LOCUST ST, FIELDON, IL 62031-1142
- GRAFTON MARKET, 1415 W MAIN ST, GRAFTON, IL 62037-0000
- 3RD CHUTE, 220 W MAIN ST, GRAFTON, IL 62037-1115 (1 prior violation)

Forest Park – January 25th, the ILCC and the Forest Park Police Department conducted underage alcohol checks. Of the 16 licensees checked, *seven* sold alcohol to ILCC underage participants. Those licensees were:

- CHEF GAETANOS ARTISAN FOODS, 7636 MADISON ST. FOREST PARK, IL 60130-1403
- SLAINTE IRISH PUB, 7505 MADISON ST, FOREST PARK, IL 60130-1407 (1 prior violation)
- DUFFY'S TAVERN, 7513 MADISON ST, FOREST PARK, IL 60130-1407
- THE JUNCTION DINER, 7401 MADISON ST, FOREST PARK, IL 60130-1502
- CHARLIE'S RESTAURANT, 7427 ROOSEVELT RD, FOREST PARK, IL 60130-2554
- GOLDEN STEER, 7635 W ROOSEVELT RD, FOREST PARK, IL 60130-0000
- PORTILLO'S HOT DOGS, 7740 W. ROOSEVELT RD, FOREST PARK, IL 60130-3036

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For information about hearings regarding checks, please visit the Illinois Liquor Control Commission's website: https://www.illinois.gov/ilcc/Pages/CalendarList.aspx