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SLA ORDERS EMERGENCY SUSPENSION FOR QUEENS STRIP CLUB
Assaults, Fights, Shootings at “Perfection & Pure” Leads to Suspension

Albany, NY – The New York State Liquor Authority (SLA) suspended the license of Karenterprises of NY LTD, operating as “Perfection & Pure” at 62-05 30th Avenue in Woodside. The suspension was ordered by Members of the SLA, Chairman Dennis Rosen, Commissioner Jeanique Greene and Commissioner Kevin Kim at a meeting of the Full Board on Tuesday, January 13, 2015. Effective immediately, no alcohol can be served or consumed on the premises.

The emergency suspension was ordered based recent referrals from the New York City Police Department (NYPD) showing a continued pattern of assaults, violence and disturbances at the club. Most recently, on January 5, 2015 NYPD officers responded to a large fight involving multiple patrons and bouncers from the club. The SLA charged Perfection & Pure with twenty violations of the Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) law, including operating a disorderly premises, lack of supervision, employing unlicensed bouncers, and eight assaults, including an incident where a patron was shot leaving the club on February 24, 2014.

“The SLA will not tolerate violent bars that drain police resources,” said SLA Chairman Dennis Rosen. “This should serve as a message that this agency will not hesitate to take a license when a bar poses a threat to public health and safety.”

The State Administrative Procedure Act authorizes a State agency to summarily suspend a license when the agency finds that public health, safety, or welfare requires emergency action. When the SLA summarily suspends a license, it also serves a Notice of Pleading alleging one or more disciplinary violations. In invoking a summary

suspension, the SLA has deemed the violation, considering each licensee's disciplinary history, to be sufficiently serious upon initial review to warrant an immediate suspension. The SLA's decision to summarily suspend a license is not a final determination on the merits of the case. The licensee is entitled to an expedited hearing before an administrative law judge. An order of summary suspension remains in effect until such time as it is modified by the SLA or a reviewing Court.

The SLA regulates and controls the manufacture, sale and distribution of alcoholic beverages within the State. The SLA works with local law enforcement agencies and localities across the State to ensure compliance with the ABC Law. In addition, the SLA issues and renews licenses and permits to manufacturers, distributors, wholesalers and retailers of alcoholic beverages.

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