

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission 95 Fourth Street, Suite 3 Chelsea, Massachusetts 02150-2358

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DECISION

BIG BUNNY MARKET INC. D/B/A MICKUCK'S FRESH MARKETPLACE

570 MAIN STREET

STURBRIDGE, MA 01518

LICENSE#: 00054-PK-1248 VIOLATION DATE: 5/17/2022

HEARD: 6/21/2022

Big Bunny Market Inc. d/b/a Mickuck's Fresh Marketplace ("Licensee") holds an alcohol license issued pursuant to M.G.L. c. 138, § 15. The Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission ("ABCC" or "Commission") held a remote hearing via Microsoft Teams on Tuesday, June 21, 2022, regarding an alleged violation of 204 CMR 2.05 (2) Permitting an illegality on the licensed premises, to wit: M.G.L. Ch. 138, § 34 Sale or Delivery of an alcoholic beverage to a person under twenty-one years of age. Prior to the commencement of the hearing, the Licensee stipulated to the facts alleged in Investigator Fleming's Report.

The following documents are in evidence:

- 1. Investigator Fleming's Compliance Check Field Report dated 5/17/2022;
- 2. ABCC Form 43 New License Approval, 5/20/2002;
- 3. ABCC Decision, 6/23/2014;
- 4. Licensee's Stipulation of Facts.

There is one (1) audio recording of this hearing.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. On Tuesday, May 17, 2022, at approximately 6:55 p.m., Investigators Fleming and Keefe ("Investigators"), inspected the business operation of Big Bunny Market Inc. d/b/a Mickuck's Fresh Marketplace.
- 2. An underage operative, working with Investigators, purchased an alcoholic beverage, one 24-ounce can of Bud Light beer for two dollars and fifty-four cents (\$2.54). The underage operative was not asked for identification.
- 3. Justin Cournoyer, Vice President of the Licensee entity and store manager, appeared at the Commission hearing and testified serving a patron without requesting and checking identification goes against the Licensee's policy. He explained the cash registers prompt an employee to enter a patron's date of birth prior to making a sale but on this night, the employee bypassed that prompt. Mr. Cournoyer further stated that the cash registers have

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been reprogramed so that an employee is no longer able to bypass the requirement of entering a patron's date of birth.

CONCLUSION

Based on the evidence, the Commission finds the Licensee violated 204 CMR 2.05 (2) Permitting an illegality on the licensed premises, to wit: M.G.L. Ch. 138, § 34 Sale or Delivery of an alcoholic beverage to a person under twenty-one years of age. As a result, the Commission issues a **WARNING**.

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Dated: July 7, 2022	

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