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January 16, 2026

Via Email: amco.localgovernmentonly@alaska.gov

Alcohol and Marijuana Control Office
Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Re: Local Government Action – Retail Marijuana Store Application
License No.: 42032
Applicant: Rural Retail Management, LLC
DBA: Alaskan Grown Cannabis
Location: 49 Ruthie's, Naknek, Alaska

Dear Director Richard,

On behalf of the Bristol Bay Borough Assembly, this letter requests that the Marijuana Control Board delay further consideration of the above-referenced retail marijuana store license application until the one-year moratorium adopted on January 5, 2026, has expired.

Two marijuana-related resolutions were duly adopted by the Bristol Bay Borough Assembly on January 5, 2026.

1. **Assembly Resolution 2026-01** – Designating the Bristol Bay Borough Assembly as the Local Regulatory Authority pursuant to AS 17.38.210(c); and
2. **Assembly Resolution 2026-02** – Imposing a limited one-year moratorium on the receipt and processing of business licenses for marijuana establishments within the Bristol Bay Borough.

These resolutions are provided for inclusion in the application record and for consideration by the Marijuana Control Board.

Please do not hesitate to contact my office at (907) 246-4224 ext. 308 or clerk@bbbak.us, should you require any additional information or documentation.

Sincerely,

Crystal Harvilla
Borough Clerk
Bristol Bay Borough

Attachments (2)

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ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 2026-01
OF THE BRISTOL BAY BOROUGH

A RESOLUTION OF THE BRISTOL BAY BOROUGH ASSEMBLY DESIGNATING THE BRISTOL BAY BOROUGH ASSEMBLY AS THE LOCAL REGULATORY AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO AS 17.38.210(c)

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska has legalized the personal use of marijuana under AS 17.38; and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Statute Chapter 17.38 creates classes of registrations, licenses, or permits to enable the lawful conduct of certain types of marijuana commerce and business; and

WHEREAS, AS 17.38.210(c) Local Control enacted by Ballot Measure 2, allows a local government to designate a local regulatory authority, that is responsible for processing applications to operate marijuana establishments within the boundaries of the local government; and

WHEREAS, without establishing a local regulatory body, the borough would not be able to receive a portion of fees charged by the State to businesses involved in marijuana commerce; and

WHEREAS, designating the Borough Assembly as the "local regulatory authority" is in the best interest of the Borough.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bristol Bay Borough is designated as the Local Regulatory Authority pursuant to AS 17.38.210(c).

EFFECTIVE DATE: This Resolution shall take effect upon approval by the Bristol Bay Borough Assembly.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE BRISTOL BAY BOROUGH, ALASKA this 5th day of January, 2026.

ATTEST:

Crystal Harvilla, Borough Clerk

David R. Lax, Mayor

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ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 2026-02
OF THE BRISTOL BAY BOROUGH

A RESOLUTION OF THE BRISTOL BAY BOROUGH ASSEMBLY IMPOSING A LIMITED MORATORIUM ON THE RECEIPT AND PROCESSING OF BUSINESS LICENSES FOR MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENTS

WHEREAS, on November 4th, 2014, the Alaskan voters approved a ballot measure legalizing the use of marijuana, and, with a State licenser, the operation of marijuana establishments, defined as cultivation, manufacturing, testing, and retail facilities; and

WHEREAS, the initiative, which went into effect on February 24, 2015, requires the State to begin accepting and processing applications for the registration of marijuana establishments within one year of the effective date of the act; and

WHEREAS, the initiative authorizes local governments to enact legislation concerning the time, place, and manner related to the operation of registered marijuana establishments; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public's best interest that the Bristol Bay Borough thoughtfully consider and adopt regulations that ensure the orderly development and regulation of marijuana establishments in the Borough; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Bristol Bay Borough has enacted a moratorium, and, no business license applications shall be accepted, or pending applications approved, pertaining to marijuana establishments, including marijuana cultivation, testing, and product manufacturing facilities, marijuana retail stores, and marijuana social clubs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the moratorium shall be in effect for one year or until the Bristol Bay Borough adopts by ordinance revisions to the Bristol Bay Borough Code to address commercial marijuana regulation.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This Resolution shall take effect upon approval by the Bristol Bay Borough Assembly.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE BRISTOL BAY BOROUGH, ALASKA this 5th day of January, 2026.

ATTEST:

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