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December 19, 2013

NOTICE OF INTENT TO SUSPEND LICENSE

Bibi Hajran, Sole Proprietor Hajran Gift Shop 175 – 10th Street East Saint Paul, MN 55101

RE:

Cigarette/Tobacco license held by Bibi Hajran d/b/a Hajran Gift Shop for the premises located at 175 – 10th Street East in Saint Paul License ID #20090004885

Dear Bibi Hajran:

The Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) has recommended suspension of the Cigarette/Tobacco license held by Bibi Hajran d/b/a Hajran Gift Shop for the premises located at $175 - 10^{th}$ Street East in Saint Paul. The basis for the recommendation is as follows:

On November 26, 2013 you were sent a letter and <u>RENEWAL INVOICE</u> from the Department of Safety and Inspections (DSI) stating that your Cigarette/Tobacco license expired as of August 25, 2013. You currently owe \$560.00 in delinquent license and late fees. You were also asked to submit a copy of your Tax ID or Social Security Number and a completed <u>Certificate of Compliance Minnesota Workers' Compensation Law</u> form.

You were given until December 17, 2013 to pay the delinquent license and late fees and submit the required information. As of today's date neither has been received.

In addition to the suspension of your Cigarette/Tobacco license, per Saint Paul Legislative Code §310.05 (m) (2), the licensing office will also recommend a \$500.00 matrix penalty for failure to submit the required information in order to maintain your license.

At this time, you have three options on how to proceed:

1. You can pay the delinquent license and late fees and submit the required information. If this is your choice, you should send the payment and information directly to the Department of Safety and Inspections, at 375 Jackson Street, Ste. 220, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-1806 no later than **Monday**, **December 30**, **2013**. A self-addressed envelope is enclosed for your convenience. Payment of the delinquent license and late fees and submission of the requested information will be considered to be a waiver of the hearing to which you are entitled.

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- 2. If you wish to <u>admit</u> the facts but contest the penalty, you may have a public hearing before the Saint Paul City Council, you will need to send me a letter with a statement admitting the facts and requesting a public hearing. I will need to receive your letter by **Monday**, **December 30**, **2013**. The matter will then be scheduled before the City Council for a public hearing to determine whether to suspend your Cigarette/Tobacco license and impose the \$500.00 matrix penalty. You will have an opportunity to appear before the Council and make a statement on your own behalf.
- 3. If you no longer wish to do business in the City of Saint Paul, you will need to send a written statement to that effect to the Department of Safety and Inspections, at 375 Jackson Street, Ste. 220, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-1806 no later than **Monday**, **December 30**, **2013**. Information should be directed to the attention of Kristina Schweinler.

If you have not contacted me by Monday, December 30, 2013, I will assume that you do not contest the suspension of your Cigarette/Tobacco license and imposition of the \$500.00 matrix penalty. In that case, the matter will be placed on the City Council Consent Agenda for approval of the recommended penalty.

If you have questions about these options, please feel free to contact me at 266-8710.

Sincerely,

Geoffrey Karls

Assistant City Attorney

cc: Kristina Schweinler, Senior License Inspector, DSI Bibi Hajran, 401 Sibley Street, Saint Paul, MN 55101

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY U.S. MAIL

COUNTY OF RAMSEY)

Julie Kraus, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that on the _____ day of December she served the attached **NOTICE OF INTENT TO SUSPEND LICENSE** and correct copy thereof in an envelope addressed as follows:

Bibi Hajran, Sole Proprietor Hajran Gift Shop 175 – 10th Street East Saint Paul, MN 55101

Bibi Hajran 401 Sibley Street Saint Paul, MN 55101

(which is the last known address of said person) depositing the same, with postage prepaid, in the United States mail at St. Paul, Minnesota.

Julie Kraus

Subscribed and sworn to before me

this 1972 day of December 2013

Notary Public

RITA M. BOSSARD S
NOTARY PUBLIC - MINNESOTA MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JAN. 31, 2015