



CITY OF SOMERVILLE

MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT HOST COMMUNITY AGREEMENT (HCA) AND LICENSE APPLICATION

Section 1. Business Information:

Business Legal Name: Nuestra, LLC

Business DBA, if different: _____

Business Address: 198 Tremont Street, Suite 228, Boston, MA 02116

Phone: [REDACTED] Website: _____

Federal Employer Identification Number (EIN): [REDACTED]

Does the business currently possess any type of marijuana license in Somerville? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, describe: _____

Primary Contact Name: Ivelise Rivera and Renata Caines

Mailing Address: 198 Tremont Street, Suite 228, Boston, MA 02116

Email: [REDACTED] Phone: [REDACTED]

Emergency Contact Name: Ivelise Rivera and Renata Caines

Email: [REDACTED] Phone: [REDACTED]

If you would like mail to be sent to a different address, provide alternate mailing information below:

Mailing Contact Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Type of Business

Check only one and provide names as indicated:

- ☐ **Sole Proprietor:** Name of Owner: _____
- ☐ **Partnership (inc. LLP):** Name of Partnership: _____
Names of All Partners Who Own More Than 10%: _____

- ☐ **Trust:** Name of Trust: _____
Names of All Trustees Who Own More Than 10%: _____

- ☐ **Corporation:** Name of Corporation: _____
Name of President: _____
Name of Secretary: _____ Name of Treasurer: _____
- ☒ **LLC:** Name of LLC: Nuestra, LLC
Names of All Managers Who Own More Than 10%: Ivelise Rivera, Renata Caines, Tara Tucker, Jonathan Tucker
- ☐ **Other** (Attach a Description of the Form of Ownership and the Names of Owners)

Type of Establishment

Select all that apply:

- ☒ Marijuana Retailer
☐ Marijuana Cultivator
☐ Craft Marijuana Cooperative
☐ Marijuana Product Manufacturer
☐ Independent Testing Laboratory
☐ Marijuana Research Facility
☐ Other: Describe _____

Section 2. Priority Status

For Marijuana Retailers Only

- ☒ **Group A Priority. Attach proof** that the applicant is 1) an Economic Empowerment Applicant, 2) is owned by Somerville resident(s) or entities with at least 50% of its ownership made up of Somerville residents, or 3) is a cooperatively-owned entity.

An Economic Empowerment Applicant is one who meets **at least 3** of the following criteria:

- 1) A majority of ownership belongs to people who have lived for 5 of the preceding 10 years in an area of disproportionate impact, as determined by the MA CCC;
- 2) A majority of ownership has held one or more previous positions where the primary population served were disproportionately impacted, or where primary responsibilities included economic education, resource provision or empowerment to disproportionately impacted individuals or communities;
- 3) At least 51% of current employees or subcontractors reside in areas of disproportionate impact and by the first day of business, the ratio will meet or exceed 75%;
- 4) At least 51% of employees or subcontractors have drug-related CORI and are otherwise legally employable in cannabis enterprises;
- 5) A majority of ownership is made up of individuals of Black, African American, Hispanic or Latino descent;
- 6) Other significant articulable demonstration of past experience in or business practices that promote economic empowerment in areas of disproportionate impact.

- ☐ **Group B Priority. Attach proof** that your company is a Registered Marijuana Dispensary currently operating in Somerville that will continue selling medicinal products.

- ☐ **No Priority.** All applicants who are not Group A or B should check here.



Economic Empowerment Designation

Nuestra, LLC (“Nuestra”) is applying for a Marijuana Retailer License from the City of Somerville as a Priority Group A applicant. In addition to the receipt of Economic Empowerment designation from the Cannabis Control Commission (the “Commission”), Nuestra is applying as a Somerville Priority A Economic Empowerment Applicant.

Ownership Structure

Nuestra is a Massachusetts limited liability company with the following schedule of members:

Name of Member	Affiliated Managers	Percentage of Ownership (%)	Commission Designation
Herban Legends of Boston, LLC	Renata Caines Ivelise Rivera Shaquille Anderson	51	Entity is Commission-certified Economic Empowerment Applicant
Mikaz, LLC	Jonathan Tucker Tara Tucker	49	

Nuestra qualifies as a Commission-certified Economic Empowerment applicant because the majority of its ownership interests are held by a Commission-certified Economic Empowerment applicant.

How Nuestra Meets the City of Somerville’s Economic Empowerment Applicant Criteria:

Criterion 1) A majority of ownership belongs to people who have lived for 5 of the preceding 10 years in an area of disproportionate impact, as determined by the MA CCC.

Nuestra’s majority owner, Herban Legends of Boston, LLC (“Herban Legends”) is owned by Ivelise Rivera and Renata Caines. Ms. Rivera, Chief Executive Officer, and Ms. Caines, Chief Engagement Officer, have lived for the past eight (8) years at 213 Eustis Street in the Roxbury neighborhood of Boston. 213 Eustis Street is located within Census Tract 803 of Suffolk County, which has been designated by the Cannabis Control Commission as an area of disproportionate impact.

Criterion 2) A majority of ownership has held one or more previous positions where the primary population served were disproportionately impacted, or where primary responsibilities included economic education, resource provision or empowerment to disproportionately impacted individuals or communities.

Nuestra’s majority owner, Herban Legends, is owned by Ivelise Rivera and Renata Caines. Both Ms. Rivera and Ms. Caines maintain demonstrated experience holding positions where the primary population served were disproportionately impacted or where primary responsibilities included

economic education, resource provision or empowerment to disproportionately impacted individuals or communities.

Since 2006, Ms. Rivera, Chief Executive Officer, has served as the Board Chair of the Madison Park Development Corporation (“MPDC”). MPDC develops affordable and high-quality housing for low and moderate-income families in and around the Roxbury neighborhood, currently housing over 3,000 residents in 1,212 low and moderate-income rental homes in Roxbury, South End, and Mattapan. MPDC provides comprehensive programming to residents to help them mobilize, empower themselves, and address quality-of-life issues in the Dudley Square area, including public safety, health equity, and youth development. Ms. Rivera has also served as a Board Member of the Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative (“DSNI”) since 2012. DSNI seeks to empower Dudley Square residents through developing youth leadership programs, promoting development without displacement, and empowering neighborhood and resident development. Ms. Rivera is the Softball Commissioner of the Red Sox Foundation RBI program.

Ms. Caines, Chief Engagement Officer, has served as the Learning and Development Manager of City Year since 2017. City Year Boston deploys 289 highly skilled AmeriCorps members to serve in 29 elementary, middle, K-8, and high schools, positively impacting nearly 12,000 students across Boston Public Schools. She previously served as an AmeriCorps Massachusetts Promise Fellow at Crossroads for Kids, a program designed to teach leadership skills to underprivileged youth and prepare them to enter adulthood.

Additionally, Jonathan Tucker of Mikaz, LLC and Chief Operating Officer, is the founder of The Pegasus Fund, a non-profit organization that supplements the academic journey of top-performing students in underserved communities by sending them to summer camp to instill confidence to help them be successful at home and in school. He serves as the Advising Partner of Halogen Ventures, an early-stage venture capital fund that invests in consumer technology companies led by women.

Criterion 5) A majority of ownership is made up of individuals of Black, African American, Hispanic or Latino descent.

Nuestra’s majority owner, Herban Legends, is owned by Ivelise Rivera and Renata Caines, who are both of Hispanic descent.

Additionally, the majority of Nuestra’s managers are people of Black, African American, Hispanic, or Latino descent.

Renata Caines - Hispanic descent

Ivelise Rivera – Hispanic descent

Shaquille Anderson – African American descent

Tara Tucker – Middle Eastern descent

Jonathan Tucker - White

Section 3. Operating Information

The following section asks you to describe your business operations and alignment with the city's values. For each question, please be as specific as possible. You may attach additional pages to respond to these questions if needed.

1. Describe how the Applicant will help monitor the health impacts of recreational marijuana in their neighborhood and on local youth.

Please see the enclosed narrative.

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2. Describe how the Applicant will prevent and educate youth and families about the dangers of underage exposure to, and the consumption of, recreational marijuana. Describe how the Applicant will sustain these efforts over time.

Please see the enclosed narrative.

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3. Describe how the Applicant will inform customers about restrictions on public consumption and workplace use, the risks of second-hand smoke, and dangers of operating a motor vehicle while impaired.

Please see the enclosed narrative.

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4. Describe how the Applicant will market its products, including, but not limited to, broadcast, print, and online advertising, direct-response advertising, social media, and signage.

Please see the enclosed narrative.

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5. Describe the sources of the Applicant's inventory or manufacturing materials.

Please see the enclosed narrative.

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6. Describe how the Applicant will package and label products at the point of sale.

Please see the enclosed narrative.

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7. Describe who the Applicant will employ, and the wages and benefits that will be provided

Please see the enclosed narrative.

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8. Describe how the Applicant will use sustainable green practices and renewable energy sources.

Please see the enclosed narrative.

9. Describe how the Applicant will further each of these Somerville values.

- a. Celebrating the diversity of our people, cultures, housing and economy.

Please see the enclosed narrative.

- b. Fostering the unique character of our residents, neighborhoods, hills and squares, and the strength of our community spirit as expressed in our history, our cultural and social life, and our deep sense of civic engagement.

Please see the enclosed narrative.

- c. Investing in the growth of a resilient economic base that is centered around transit, generates a wide variety of job opportunities, creates an active daytime population, supports independent local businesses, and secures fiscal self-sufficiency.

Please see the enclosed narrative.

- d. Promoting a dynamic urban streetscape that embraces public transportation, reduces dependence on the automobile, and is accessible, inviting and safe for all pedestrians, bicyclists and transit riders.

Please see the enclosed narrative.

- e. Building a sustainable future through strong environmental leadership, balanced transportation modes, engaging recreational and community spaces, exceptional schools and educational opportunities, improved community health, varied and affordable housing options, and effective stewardship of our natural resources.

Please see the enclosed narrative.

- f. Committing to continued innovation and affirmation of our responsibility to current and future generations in all of our endeavors: business, technology, education, arts and government, including your neighbors (within 300 feet), City youth, and the City as a whole.

Please see the enclosed narrative.



Section C: Operating Information

1. Describe how the Applicant will help monitor the health impacts of recreational marijuana in their neighborhood and on local youth.

Nuestra recognizes that it has a responsibility to utilize all tools at its disposal to educate consumers and the general public, especially within its local neighborhood and youth populations, about the health risks associated with cannabis use. Nuestra's team of experts have decades of combined experience as community organizers working to effectively serve local neighborhoods and youth. Nuestra's plan to monitor the health impacts of recreational marijuana in their neighborhood and on local youth hinges on *community engagement, funding, and customer education*.

Community Engagement: Chief Engagement Officer Renata Caines will serve as the chief point of contact for all engagement with the broader community and will conduct specific community engagement training sessions for all registered agents at Nuestra's Somerville facility. Ms. Caines has a demonstrated background at the intersection of community and training, having served as the Learning and Development Manager of City Year Boston since 2017. City Year Boston deploys 289 highly skilled AmeriCorps members to serve in 29 elementary, middle, K-8, and high schools, positively impacting nearly 12,000 students across Boston Public Schools.

Ms. Caines will routinely attend all civic and business community meetings as a representative of Nuestra, including Union Square Neighbors and Union Square Main Streets, with the hope that Nuestra is able to receive candid feedback about their operations and impact on local neighborhoods and youth. Nuestra also hopes that its participation in community meetings will assist them in identifying other opportunities to support local initiatives. Ms. Caines will also serve as the designated contact for local schools, City representatives, places of worship, substance abuse centers, and community organizations. Her contact information will be readily available in a 'Community' section of Nuestra's website.

Ms. Caines will also lead the coordination of Nuestra's 24/7 contact telephone number, once operational, which will be provided to local residents, businesses, and other interested parties should they seek to contact a designated facility representative off hours.

Funding: Nuestra will seek to provide support to local organizations that seek to reduce underage drinking and drug use and mobilize community members to help protect youth and influence them to make positive choices. If selected for a Host Community Agreement in Somerville, Nuestra will reach out to organizations like Somerville Cares About Prevention ("SCAP") to identify ways that Nuestra can support them in a manner that their representatives find to be supportive, appropriate, and helpful in achieving their goals. Broadly, Nuestra will seek to propose a \$5,000 annual contribution to bolster their

Somerville Positive Forces and the Student Health Survey Task Force once operations commence.

Customer Education: Nuestra believes that an effective plan to mitigate unlawful use of marijuana or unauthorized diversion requires both prevention and corrective action.

Prevention: Customers visiting Nuestra's facility for the first time will go through an intake process where they receive a primer on regulations surrounding cannabis; how to safely consume, store, and transport their product; and information regarding strains, dosage, and desired effects. Upon their first visit to the facility, all customers will be required to review and sign a Community Attestation, in which they certify that they understand that the ability to utilize Nuestra's store is contingent on respect for the surrounding neighborhood and that littering, on-site consumption, noise and loitering, and other nuisance behaviors are not tolerated and practicing them will result in the customer being prohibited from future store visits. In particular, customers will be educated as to the consequences of diverting marijuana to unauthorized parties and given information relative to the potential impact marijuana may have on youth during pivotal years of development. The Community Attestation will be kept on file.

Flyers, pamphlets, and other materials will be available in the entry vestibule as well as throughout the retail floor. There will also be signage proximate to point-of-sale terminals reminding customers about the consequences of product diversion. In a friendly, approachable manner, customer service representatives will educate customers at the point of sale about how to safely store, consume, and transport their product. Customized product safety guides and general informational material will be placed in each and every bag to ensure customers have access to safety materials when they intend to utilize the product.

All takeaway materials will be made available to customers on Nuestra's website, including links to substance abuse treatment centers.

Corrective Action: Nuestra's security personnel will diligently monitor the exterior of the facility to ensure that customers or other members of the public are not engaging in nuisance behaviors. Public consumption of marijuana or other drugs, disturbances of the peace, lewd behavior, harassment, and undesirable behaviors are all strictly prohibited. All security personnel will undergo rigorous training in de-escalation techniques. When appropriate, law enforcement will be notified. Customers who behave in such a manner will not be granted access to the facility in the future.

Nuestra's seed-to-sale tracking system will allow staff to protect against looping, or the practice wherein customers purchase the maximum amount of product allowable, leave the facility, and then return to the facility at a later time to purchase additional product. Customers who are identified as looping will not be allowed back within Nuestra's facility.

2. Describe how the Applicant will prevent and educate youth and families about the dangers of underage exposure to, and the consumption of, recreational marijuana. Describe how the Applicant will sustain these efforts over time.

Nuestra is committed to following the City's lead in supporting prevention efforts by providing funding, volunteer hours, or other professional services to efforts sponsored by the City of Somerville or local nonprofit/service agencies relating to youth prevention efforts. Nuestra recognizes that the collective efforts of numerous retail marijuana facilities towards existing efforts may be more impactful than small endeavors conducted independently by marijuana facilities. Nuestra is committed to making annual contributions of time, money, or other resources a condition of its host community agreement to ensure such efforts are sustained over time.

Nuestra will also seek out opportunities to educate youth and families in the area through monthly tabling at the Union Square Farmers' Market under a name separate from its trade name. Nuestra will reach out to Union Square Main Streets to explore this possibility if they are awarded a Host Community Agreement.

3. Describe how the Applicant will inform customers about restrictions on public consumption and workplace use, the risks of second-hand smoke, and dangers of operating a motor vehicle while impaired.

As pioneers in an emerging industry in Massachusetts, Nuestra recognizes the unique challenges, opportunities and responsibilities associated with educating Somerville residents about the safe, lawful, and appropriate consumption of cannabis. Nuestra recognizes customers at its facility have varying preferences and styles for consuming and analyzing information. As such, Nuestra will institute multimodal educational materials including:

- Printed materials to be distributed before a Nuestra Agent completes a retail transaction, including general informational materials and instructional guides specific to the products purchased;
- Private and discrete one-on-one consultations for new customers in Nuestra's private consultation room, located immediately upon entry into the facility;
- Auditory reminders from Agents, delivered in a friendly, approachable manner, without confusing cannabis jargon; and
- Video guides and PDF versions of printed materials which will be available for download on Nuestra's age-verified website.

Materials will be available in multiple languages. All Agents will carry electronic tablets for use during customer interactions so that they are able to swipe and scroll through products and materials with ease and toggle through different informational materials as needed. Customers will be encouraged to ask questions they may have during this time.

Nuestra will develop materials both internally and in coordination with national cannabis education partners. Organizations that the Nuestra will rely on for resources include:

- The Cannabis Care Certification Program developed by Americans for Safe Access;
- The Cannabis Control Commission and City of Somerville;
- Lucid Green, which allows purchasers to simply point a smartphone at a product's label to take them to a customized education page, including information about potency, dosage, batch-level testing results, and instructions on safe use; and
- Cannabis 101 materials designed by the Leafly learning hub.

4. Describe how the Applicant will market its products, including, but not limited to, broadcast, print, and online advertising, direct-response advertising, social media, and signage.

Marketing

Nuestra intends to promote its dispensary and products by providing exceptional customer service, and consistent high-quality cannabis to ensure that every patron will become a repeat customer. It hopes to create brand loyalty by providing a unique and positive experience for each guest at its facility. It anticipates that its commitment to the customer experience will result in word of mouth marketing. Nuestra's plan to grow the company includes:

1. Strong and consistent branding;
2. Intelligent, targeted, and compliant marketing programs;
3. An exemplary customer in-store experience; and
4. A caring and thoughtful staff made of consummate professionals.

Nuestra will promote its brand through online mediums, such as Leafly and Weedmaps, as well as opt-in e-mail subscriptions and other customer loyalty programs. In addition, it will promote its brand through social media and its website. All of these mediums will require viewers to positively confirm that they are older than 21.

Signage

Nuestra will seek to utilize Somerville artists to assist in the design of its packaging, signage and interior dispensary. Should Nuestra be selected by the City of Somerville to negotiate a Host Community Agreement, it will reach out to nearby Artisan's Asylum to identify an artist to develop interior and exterior designs. As outlined on the enclosed sample renderings, exterior signage will be discrete and primarily used for wayfinding. It will not include any neon signage or any illuminated external signage that violates local ordinances or requirements, or signage that is illuminated beyond the period of thirty minutes before sundown until closing per the regulations set forth by the Cannabis Control Commission.

Advertising Practices

All of Nuestra's marketing and advertising practices will comply with 935 CMR 500.105(4) et seq. All marketing, advertising and branding created for viewing by the public will include the statement "Please Consume Responsibly," in a conspicuous manner on the face of the advertisement and will include a minimum of two of the following warnings in their entirety in a conspicuous manner on the face of the advertisement:

- a. "This product may cause impairment and may be habit forming."
- b. "Marijuana can impair concentration, coordination and judgment. Do not operate a vehicle or machinery under the influence of this drug."
- c. "There may be health risks associated with consumption of this product."
- d. "For use only by adults 21 years of age or older. Keep out of the reach of children."
- e. "Marijuana should not be used by women who are pregnant or breastfeeding."

All marketing, advertising and branding produced by or on behalf of Nuestra will include the following warning, including capitalization, in accordance with M.G.L. c. 94G, § 4(a½)(xxvi): "This product has not been analyzed or approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). There is limited information on the side effects of using this product, and there may be associated health risks. Marijuana use during pregnancy and breast-feeding may pose potential harms. It is against the law to drive or operate machinery when under the influence of this product. KEEP THIS PRODUCT AWAY FROM CHILDREN. There may be health risks associated with consumption of this product. Marijuana can impair concentration, coordination, and judgment. The impairment effects of edible marijuana may be delayed by two hours or more. In case of accidental ingestion, contact poison control hotline 1-800-222-1222 or 9-1-1. This product may be illegal outside of MA."

Pursuant to 935 CMR 500.105(4), Nuestra will not engage in any marketing, advertising or branding practices that are targeted to, deemed to appeal to or portray minors under the age of 21. Nuestra will not engage in any advertising, marketing and branding by means of television, radio, internet, mobile applications, social media, or other electronic communication, billboard or other outdoor advertising, including sponsorship of charitable, sporting or similar events, unless at least 85% of the audience is reasonably expected to be 21 years of age or older as determined by reliable and current audience composition data. Nuestra will not manufacture or sell any edible products that resemble a realistic or fictional human, animal or fruit, including artistic, caricature or cartoon renderings, pursuant to 935 CMR 500.150(1)(b).

5. Describe the sources of the Applicant's inventory or manufacturing materials.

Nuestra is not seeking a license to cultivate marijuana or manufacture marijuana products in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts pursuant to 935 CMR 500.000 et seq. As such, Nuestra plans to purchase marijuana and marijuana products from those entities licensed to cultivate and manufacture marijuana and marijuana products under 935 CMR 500.000 et seq, including Commonwealth Farm 1761, Inc., a licensed marijuana establishment in

Framingham, Massachusetts owned by Nuestra COO Jonathan Tucker. Nuestra will prioritize companies that are owned by Commission-designated Economic Empowerment Applicants, Social Equity Program participants, those who utilize sustainable cultivation methods, and Somerville residents.

Nuestra will ensure that all marijuana and marijuana products purchased from licensed marijuana cultivators and product manufacturers are in compliance with 935 CMR 500.160(10), requiring marijuana and marijuana products be tested by an Independent Testing Laboratory and deemed to comply with the standards required under 935 CMR 500.160 prior to the sale or marketing for adult use of any such marijuana or marijuana product.

6. Describe how the Applicant will package and label products at the point of sale.

All product will arrive prepackaged from licensed cultivators and product manufacturers. Nuestra will not seek to weigh or package open marijuana on site due to the potential for odor or inventory loss.

Packaging and Labeling Initiatives: Any product containing cannabis will be packaged in a sealed, odor-proof, and child-resistant cannabis container consistent with current standards, including the Consumer Product Safety Commission standards referenced by the Poison Prevention Packaging Act. Nuestra will strictly require all vendors to provide documentation that their packaging for products has obtained Child Resistant Certifications in accordance with the procedures described under 16 C.F.R. 1700.200 as required by the Poison Prevention Packaging Act, which certify that such packaging was designed to be significantly difficult for children under five years of age to open within a reasonable time.

Dram Packaging: As applicable, cannabis flower, concentrates, and capsules will be packaged in reverse cap child resistant bottles or drams made of BPA-free polypropylene and will feature a tight seal to preserve freshness. Nuestra prefers the use of drams because they are child-resistant, food compliant, pharmaceutical grade, light-resistant, re-sealable, designed to minimize oxygen exposure, and designed to protect contents from contamination and external influences.



To be in compliance with 935 CMR 500.105(6), Nuestra will ensure:

1. That to the extent it is not unreasonably impracticable for the specific type of product, marijuana products are packaged in containers that are:
 - a. Opaque and plain in design;
 - b. Resealable for any marijuana product intended for more than a single use or containing multiple servings; and
 - c. Certified by a qualified third-party tamper or child-resistant packaging testing firm that the packaging is in compliance with the most recent poison prevention packaging regulations of the US Consumer Product Safety Commission as included at 16 CFR 1700; or

2. That where compliance with the requirements of tamper or child-resistant packaging is deemed by Nuestra to be unreasonably impracticable, marijuana products will be placed in an exit package that is:
 - a. Capable of being resealed and made tamper and child-resistant again after it has been opened;
 - b. Not able to be opened easily with scissors if appealing to children;
 - c. Includes the following statement, including capitalization, in at least ten-point Times New Roman, Helvetica or Arial font: KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN; and
 - d. Is certified by a qualified third-party tamper or child-resistant packaging testing firm that the packaging is in compliance with the most recent poison prevention packaging regulations of the US Consumer Product Safety Commission as included at 16 CFR 1700.

Packaging for marijuana products sold or displayed for consumers, including any label or imprint affixed to any packaging containing marijuana products or any exit packages, will not be attractive to minors. Packaging is explicitly prohibited from:

1. Using bright colors that are “neon” in appearance;
2. Imitating or having a semblance to any existing branded consumer products, including foods and beverages, that do not contain marijuana;
3. Featuring cartoons;
4. Featuring a design, brand or name that resembles a non-cannabis consumer product of the type that is typically marketed to minors;
5. Featuring symbols or celebrities that are commonly used to market products to minors;
6. Featuring images of minors; and
7. Featuring words that refer to products that are commonly associated with minors or marketed to minors.

Packaging of Multiple Servings: Packaging for marijuana products sold or displayed for consumers in multiple servings will include the following statement on the exterior of the package in a printed font that is no smaller than ten-point Times New Roman, Helvetica or Arial, Including capitalization: “INCLUDES MULTIPLE SERVINGS.” Packaging for marijuana products in solid form sold or displayed for consumers in multiple servings will allow a consumer to easily perform the division into single servings. Edible marijuana products in a solid form will be easily and permanently scored to identify individual servings.

Notwithstanding 935 CMR 500.105(6)(c)(2)(a), where a product is unable, because of its form, to be easily and permanently scored to identify individual servings, the product will be packaged in a single serving size. The determination of whether a product is able to be easily and permanently scored will be decided by the Commission, consistent with sub-regulatory guidelines established by the Commission and provided to licensees. Packaging for marijuana product beverages will be packaged solely in a single serving size. Multiple serving beverages are strictly prohibited for sale. Each single serving of an edible marijuana product contained in a multiple-serving package will be marked,

stamped or otherwise imprinted with the symbol issued by the Commission under 935 CMR 500.105(5) that indicates that the single serving is a marijuana product. In no instance will an individual serving size of any marijuana product contain more than five (5) milligrams of delta-nine tetrahydrocannabinol. Any marijuana product that is made to resemble a typical food or beverage product must be packaged and labelled as required by 935 CMR 500.105(5) and 500.105(6).

Labeling of Edible Marijuana Products: Prior to edible marijuana products being sold or transferred, Nuestra will ensure a legible, firmly affixed label on which the wording is no less than one-sixteenth (1/16) inch in size is visible on each edible marijuana product that it prepares for retail sale, containing at a minimum the following information:

1. Nuestra's name and registration number, together with Nuestra's business telephone number, e-mail address, and website information, if any;
2. The name of the marijuana product;
3. Refrigeration of the product is required, as applicable;
4. Net weight or volume in US customary and metric units;
5. The quantity of usable marijuana contained within the product as measured in ounces;
6. The type of marijuana used to produce the product, including what, if any, processing techniques or solvents were used;
7. A list of ingredients, including the full cannabinoid profile of the marijuana contained within the marijuana product, including the amount of delta-nine-tetrahydrocannabinol and other cannabinoids in the package and in each serving of a marijuana product as expressed in absolute terms and as a percentage of volume;
8. The serving size of the marijuana product in milligrams if the package is a multiple serving package;
9. The number of serving sizes within the marijuana product based on the limits provided in 935 CMR 500.150;
10. The amount, in grams, of sodium, sugar, carbohydrates and total fat per serving;
11. The date of creation and the recommended "use by" or expiration date which will not be altered or changed;
12. A batch number, sequential serial number and barcodes when used, to identify the batch associated with manufacturing and processing;
13. Directions for use of the marijuana product;
14. A statement and a seal that the product has been tested for contaminants, that there were no adverse findings, and the date of testing in accordance with M.G.L. c. 94G, § 15;
15. A warning if nuts or other known allergens are contained in the product;
16. This statement, including capitalization: "The impairment effects of edible products may be delayed by two hours or more. This product has not been analyzed or approved by the FDA. There is limited information on the side effects of using this product, and there may be associated health risks. Marijuana use during pregnancy and breast-feeding may pose potential harms. It is against the law to drive or operate machinery when under the influence of this product. KEEP THIS PRODUCT AWAY FROM CHILDREN"; and

17. The following symbol or easily recognizable marks issued by the Commission:



Labeling of Marijuana Concentrates and Extracts Prior to marijuana concentrates or extracts being sold or transferred, Nuestra will ensure a legible, firmly affixed label on which the wording is no less than 1/16 inch in size is visible on each marijuana concentrate container that it prepares for retail sale, containing at a minimum the following information:

1. Nuestra's name and registration number, together with Nuestra's business telephone number, e-mail address, and website information, if any;
2. The name of the marijuana product;
3. Product identity including the word "concentrate" or "extract" as applicable;
4. Net weight of volume expressed in US customary units and metric units;
5. The type of marijuana used to produce the product, including what, if any, processing techniques or solvents were used;
6. A list of ingredients, including the full cannabinoid profile of the marijuana contained within the marijuana product, including the amount of delta-nine tetrahydrocannabinol and other cannabinoids in the package and in each serving of a marijuana product as expressed in absolute terms and as a percentage of volume, and the amount of specific additives infused or incorporated during the manufacturing process, whether active or inactive, including, but not limited to, thickening agents, thinning agents, and specific terpenes, expressed in absolute terms and as a percentage of volume, and in a form and matter determined by the Commission;
7. A statement of the serving size and number of servings per container or amount suggested for use based on the limits provided in 935 CMR 500.150;
8. The date of creation and the recommended "use by" or expiration date;
9. A batch number, sequential serial number, and barcode when used, to identify the batch associated with manufacturing and processing;
10. Directions for use of the marijuana product;
11. A statement and a seal that the product has been tested for contaminants, that there were no adverse findings, and the date of testing in accordance with M.G.L. c. 94G, § 15;
12. A warning if nuts or other known allergens are contained in the product;
13. This statement, including capitalization: "This product has not been analyzed or approved by the FDA. There is limited information on the side effects of using this product, and there may be associated health risks. Marijuana use during pregnancy and breast-feeding may pose potential harms. It is against the law to drive or operate machinery when under the influence of this product. KEEP THIS PRODUCT AWAY FROM CHILDREN."; and

14. The following symbol or easily recognizable marks issued by the Commission:



Labeling of Marijuana Infused Tinctures and Topicals: Prior to marijuana infused tinctures or topicals being sold or transferred, Nuestra will ensure a legible, firmly affixed label on which the wording is no less than 1/16 inch in size is visible on each container of marijuana infused tincture or topical that it prepares for retail sale, containing at a minimum the following information:

1. Nuestra's name and registration number, together with Nuestra's business telephone number, e-mail address, and website information, if any;
2. The marijuana product's identity;
3. The type of marijuana used to produce the product, including what, if any, processing techniques or solvents were used;
4. A list of ingredients, including the full cannabinoid profile of the marijuana contained within the marijuana product, including the amount of delta-nine tetrahydrocannabinol and other cannabinoids in the package and in each serving of a marijuana product as expressed in absolute terms and as a percentage of volume;
5. Net weight or volume as expressed in US customary units or metric units;
6. The date of product creation;
7. A batch number, sequential serial number, and barcode when used, to identify the batch associated with manufacturing and processing;
8. Directions for use of the marijuana product;
9. A statement and a seal that the product has been tested for contaminants, that there were no adverse findings, and the date of testing in accordance with M.G.L. c. 94G, § 15;
10. A warning if nuts or other known allergens are contained in the product;
11. This statement, including capitalization: "This product has not been analyzed or approved by the FDA. There is limited information on the side effects of using this product, and there may be associated health risks. Marijuana use during pregnancy and breast-feeding may pose potential harms. It is against the law to drive or operate machinery when under the influence of this product. KEEP THIS PRODUCT AWAY FROM CHILDREN."; and
12. The following symbol or easily recognizable marks issued by the Commission:



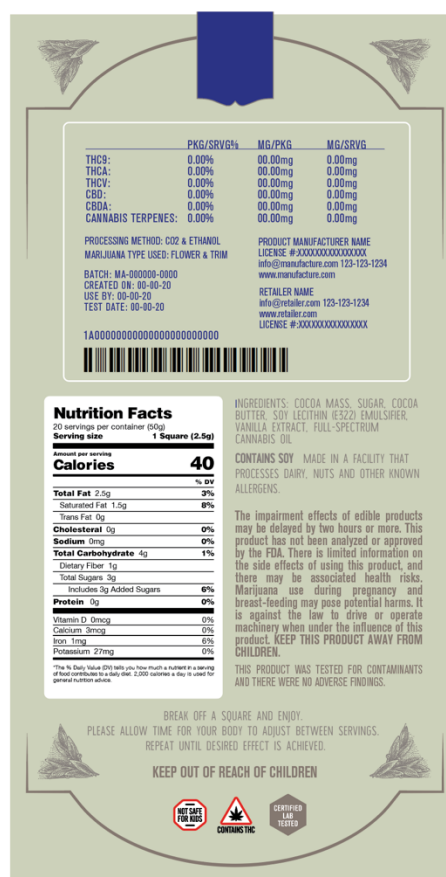
In circumstances where the labeling of the marijuana product is unreasonable or impractical, Nuestra may include the labeling information on a peelback label or may place the product in a sealed bag with an insert or additional, easily readable label firmly affixed to that bag.

Additional Labeling and Packaging Requirements for Edible Marijuana Product: In addition to the requirements set forth in M.G.L. c. 94G, § 4(a^{1/2})(xxvi) and 935 CMR 500.105(5) and (6), Nuestra will ensure that the following information or statement is affixed to every container holding an edible marijuana product:

1. If the retail edible marijuana product is perishable, a statement that the edible marijuana product must be refrigerated;
2. The date on which the edible marijuana product was produced;
3. A nutritional fact panel that must be based on the number of THC servings within the container;
4. Information regarding the size of each serving for the product by milligrams, the total number of servings of marijuana in the product, and the total amount of active THC in the product by milligrams (mgs). For example: "The serving size of active THC in this product is X mg(s), this product contains X servings of marijuana, and the total amount of active THC in this product is X mg(s)."
5. A warning that the impairment effects of edible marijuana may be delayed by two hours or more.

Once a label with a use-by date has been affixed to a container holding an edible marijuana product, Nuestra will not alter that date or affix a new label with a later use-by date. Nuestra will ensure that each single serving of an edible marijuana product is physically demarcated in a way that enables a reasonable person to intuitively determine how much of the product constitutes a single serving of active THC. Each serving of an edible marijuana product within a multi-serving package of edible marijuana products must be easily separable in order to allow an average person 21 years of age or older to physically separate, with minimal effort, individual servings of the product. Each single serving of an edible marijuana product contained in a packaged unit of multiple edible marijuana product will be marked, stamped, or otherwise imprinted with a symbol or easily recognizable mark issued by the Commission that indicates the package contains marijuana product.

Sample Labels:



7. Describe who the Applicant will employ, and the wages and benefits that will be provided.

As members of a burgeoning industry in Massachusetts, Nuestra recognizes that a comprehensive local employment plan has transformative potential for residents of the City of Somerville and the immediate region who are interested in employment in the marijuana industry. Through a comprehensive recruitment effort, thorough workplace training, and employment that offers competitive wages and comprehensive benefits, Nuestra will make best efforts to ensure that a majority of employees at its Marijuana Retailer are residents of the City.

Recruitment Initiatives: Nuestra anticipates that its facility has the potential to add 25 full and part-time employees, in addition to reliance on qualified local vendors. Salaries will be commensurate with experience. Nuestra recognizes that transportation costs, training costs, accessibility of its workplace, parental leave policies, and uniform costs can serve as limiting factors that can make it challenging for individuals from diverse backgrounds to begin and sustain a successful career. As such, the Company will provide a living wage, comprehensive healthcare benefits, paid parental leave, transportation reimbursements and/or shuttles, uniform stipends, and paid training. Anticipated positions at the facility include:

- General Manager – 1 hire - \$75,000
- Assistant Manager – 1 hire - \$60,000
- Inventory Specialist – 3 hires - \$55,000 or \$20/hour
- Customer Service Representatives – 10/15 hires - \$45,000 or \$16/hour
- Security Specialists – 4 hires - \$16/hour

Nuestra will establish and maintain an inclusive and diverse workforce to serve its customers through purpose-driven recruitment of locally based and minority communities. Nuestra has developed strategic corporate initiatives to ensure a diverse and qualified staff stands ready to serve its customers' needs. Nuestra's recruitment efforts are designed to maintain a steady flow of qualified diverse applicants and includes the following steps:

- Hosting a career fair whenever a position becomes open, advertised in the Somerville Times and Somerville Journal. Career fairs will be held during daytime, evening, and weekend hours to accommodate those with nontraditional hours of employment. Career fairs will be advertised in diverse publications including bilingual media, networking groups, and on local bulletin boards in commonly frequented areas;
- Advertising employment opportunities in diverse publications including bilingual media;
- Developing partnerships with local workforce development programs;
- Networking groups for those who identify with the above-listed demographics, and posting job options on public boards;
- Providing briefings to representatives from recruitment sources tailored to individuals falling in the above-listed demographics concerning current and future job openings;
- Encouraging employees to refer applicants from diverse groups for employment;
- Developing relationships with programs designed to improve employment opportunities for diverse persons; and
- Utilizing Zip Recruiter to reach over 100 online career and job websites, as well as social media.

Workforce Training: Perhaps the most critical element of maintaining a talented workforce is keeping the pathways to professional development and promotion open

for all employees. Therefore, Nuestra's mentoring, training, and professional development programs are structured with the intention of finding, fostering, and promoting employees.

Nuestra will offer promotions, career counseling, and training to provide all employees with opportunity for growth and to decrease turnover. Nuestra will ensure that all employees are given opportunities for promotion by communicating opportunities, training programs, and clearly defined job descriptions. With other Nuestra affiliated retail facilities, motivated employees may have the opportunity to grow upwards within the organization or expand knowledge and skillset towards other business functions if desired.

Nuestra will ensure that all employees receive career counseling on advancement opportunities and provide training programs to assist them in career development. Training programs will be both internal and external to the company and cannabis industry and may include topics such as: marijuana cultivation techniques, product manufacturing techniques, retail practices, compliance, management training, and industry seminars provided at annual conferences such as MJBizCon.

As required by 935 CMR 500.105(2), and prior to performing job functions, each of Nuestra's agents will complete training that is tailored to the roles and responsibilities of the agent's job function. Agent training will include the Responsible Vendor Program and eight (8) hours of on-going training annually. Nuestra's new, non-administrative employees involved in the handling and sale of marijuana, will complete the Responsible Vendor Program within ninety (90) days of the date they are hired. Nuestra's employees involved in the handling and sale of marijuana will then be required to successfully complete the program once every year thereafter. Nuestra's records of Responsible Vendor training program compliance will be maintained for at least four (4) years and made available during normal business hours for inspection by the Commission and any other licensing authorities upon request.

8. Describe how the Applicant will use sustainable green practices and renewable energy sources.

As pioneers in an emerging industry, Nuestra believes that cannabis businesses have a corporate responsibility to incorporate sustainable business practices from day one. Nuestra's Environmental Impact Plan is designed to be a holistic approach that encompass the Company's dispensing operations, its building and the surrounding landscape, and the actions and attitudes of its employees, vendors, and customers. Nuestra's primary goals are to:

1. Reduce the company's carbon footprint and the environmental impact of its facility;

- Nuestra will utilize the basic envelope attributes of its proposed site to mitigate environmental impact. An open floor plan and large automatically dimmable

windows will take advantage of natural sunlight to reduce heating and cooling costs.

- Nuestra's lighting system will incorporate energy-saving light emitting diode ("LED") lights of various colors and intensities, allowing for the seamless shift of light intensity and color spectrum throughout the day to make the retail environment warm and welcoming without requiring large amounts of electricity. LED lights do not emit significant heat, allowing for the minimization of the company's carbon footprint during hot summer days when there is typically an energy increase due to air conditioning.
- Nuestra will install daylight-controlled lighting systems that will automatically turn off the lights when there is enough light generated by the sun. When the sun sets, the system will switch any necessary lights on automatically. In addition, the lighting system will include occupancy sensors which will only activate the lighting system when it senses people in the room.
- Nuestra's proactive sustainability measures as will be designed to minimize the frequency and intensity of air conditioning uses. HVAC equipment will be purchased with sustainability as a prime consideration.

2. Reduce the physical resource waste generated by the facility, including product packaging;

- Nuestra will seek to purchase marijuana and marijuana products from licensed establishments that utilize eco-friendly packaging solutions including the use of material that is naturally sourced, recyclable, compostable, and multi-use in design.
- Exit packaging will be earth-friendly and child-resistant.
- Nuestra will seek out green vendors and suppliers for business needs. The company will minimize paper use, buy recycled paper, and print double-sided when possible.
- Nuestra will incentivize customers to return recyclable packaging solutions back to the facility by allowing discounts for returned drums.

3. Facilitate sustainable practices through conscious program development that empower customers and employees to engage in environmentally friendly behaviors.

- Nuestra will incentivize sustainable commuting options by employees by providing 65% local public transit pass subsidies, up to the federal fringe benefit, to all employees, with a pro-rated incentive for any part-time employees; providing lockers in the break room for employees that walk or bike to work; compile and provide to all employees, including during employee orientation, up to date transportation information explaining all commuter options; and participate in

transportation-related training offered by the local municipality or a local Transportation Management Association.

- The company will be sure to include clearly marked information about sustainable ways to access its facility on its website and social media channels.

9. Describe how the Applicant will further each of these Somerville values.

a. Celebrating the diversity of our people, cultures, housing and economy.

Nuestra strives to create a business that represents the rich diversity of Somerville's people, cultures, housing and economy. The first way that it will achieve this goal is by hiring staff that is reflective of the community of which it is a part, including diversity in race, gender identity, nationality, age, educational attainment, and ableness. The facility will also be ADA compliant to ensure that it is accessible to all. In addition, educational materials available at the facility will be available in many languages, including Portuguese, Spanish, and Korean. Nuestra will also rely on local artists from Artisan's Asylum for design and branding.

b. Fostering the unique character of our residents, neighborhoods, hills and squares, and the strength of our community spirit as expressed in our history, our cultural and social life, and our deep sense of civic engagement.

Nuestra looks forward to the opportunity to becoming an active member in Somerville's vibrant community, and to fostering and developing its unique characteristics. Nuestra seeks to serve as a silent sponsor to the Argenziano School Local Discount Card. The card features reusable deals to over 20 local businesses, simultaneously supporting small businesses in Union Square and the Argenziano School. Nuestra will reach out to the Argenziano School PTA if selected by the City of Somerville.

Additionally Nuestra will participate in and silently sponsor local civic, business, and philanthropic events that reflect Somerville's diversity, particularly those with an emphasis on Union Square such as Fluff Festival, Holiday Stroll, and Farmers' Market.

c. Investing in the growth of a resilient economic base that is centered around transit, generates a wide variety of job opportunities, creates an active daytime population, supports independent local businesses, and secures fiscal self-sufficiency.

It would be a privilege for Nuestra to site its facility and operations in the Somerville community. In appreciation of the opportunity to locate its business in this City, Nuestra is committed to an ongoing investment in the municipality and its residents. By way of example, Nuestra's retail dispensary will create between twenty to thirty jobs which will provide access to a living wage and benefits. Nuestra will also utilize local vendors such as construction, trades, uniforms, packaging, entrepreneurs, accountants, and artists. Further, it will offer financial and volunteer support to local

civic, business, and philanthropic organizations through active participation, membership, and sponsorship of local events.

- d. Promoting a dynamic urban streetscape that embraces public transportation, reduces dependence on the automobile, and is accessible, inviting and safe for all pedestrians, bicyclists and transit riders.**

As part of its commitment to sustainable green practices, and in an effort to promote use of public transportation to its patrons and employees, Nuestra will promote and prominently feature directions indicating how to arrive by public transportation on its website and through social media. Nuestra will also hire locally to ensure employees can walk to work and provide MBTA pass benefits and BlueBike memberships for all employees.

- e. Building a sustainable future through strong environmental leadership, balanced transportation modes, engaging recreational and community spaces, exceptional schools and educational opportunities, improved community health, varied and affordable housing options, and effective stewardship of our natural resources.**

As discussed above, Nuestra is committed to implementing sustainable green practices throughout its business operations. For example, Nuestra will seek to procure product from vendors that use sustainable methods. It will also utilize recyclable packaging that provides guidance on how to recycle. With respect to the facility itself, Nuestra will promote sustainable practices including high efficiency lights inside and outside of the facility, environmentally friendly temperature control systems, as well as sustainable sinks, toilets, and faucets.

- f. Committing to continued innovation and affirmation of our responsibility to current and future generations in all of our endeavors: business, technology, education, arts and government, including your neighbors (within 300 feet), City youth, and the City as a whole.**

- Nuestra will continuously and meticulously monitor the exterior of its facility and the surrounding neighborhood, specifically within 300 feet of its premises to ensure that its customers are respectful. Nuestra will not tolerate public consumption, littering, loitering, traffic violations, or any other behavior that negatively impacts the community. Customers violating this policy will be prohibited from future entry to the facility.
- Nuestra will proactively reach out to its neighbors on a monthly basis or as needed to address concerns, answer questions, or make operational changes that would positively impact the surrounding community.
- Nuestra will provide monetary support to local organizations that seek to reduce underage drinking and drug use and mobilize community members to help protect youth and influence them to make positive choices, including Somerville Cares

About Prevention (“SCAP”). Nuestra will commit to making a \$5,000 annual contribution to SCAP, should they choose to accept it, for use to bolster their Somerville Positive Forces and the Student Health Survey Task Force once its operations commence.

- Nuestra will also seek out opportunities to educate youth and families in the area through monthly tabling at Union Square Farmers’ Market under a name separate from Nuestra. Nuestra will reach out to Union Square Main Streets to explore this possibility if they are awarded a Host Community Agreement.
- Nuestra will seek to utilize Somerville artists to assist in the design of its packaging, signage and interior dispensary. Should Nuestra be selected by the City of Somerville to negotiate a Host Community Agreement, it will reach out to Artisan’s Asylum to identify an artist that is able to assist.
- Nuestra seeks to serve as a silent sponsor to the Argenziano School Local Discount Card. The card features reusable deals to over 20 local businesses, simultaneously supporting small businesses in Union Square and the Argenziano School. Nuestra will reach out to the Argenziano School PTA if selected by the City of Somerville.

Section 4. Compliance Information

Each individual (e.g. partner, trustee, manager) with a 10% or greater ownership stake in the business must complete a separate copy of this form.

Owner's Name: Herban Legends of Boston, LLC Ownership Stake (%) 51

1. Has the Owner ever obtained a marijuana-related license in any jurisdiction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

2. Has the Owner ever had any type of license denied, revoked or suspended in any jurisdiction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

3. Has the Owner ever received a Notice of Violation in any jurisdiction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

4. Has the Owner been in compliance for the last 3 years (or since being in business in Massachusetts, whichever is less), and is the applicant currently in compliance, with all laws and regulations of the State of Massachusetts? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If no, explain: _____

5. Has the Owner been in compliance for the last 3 years (or since being in business in Somerville, whichever is less), and is the applicant currently in compliance, with all laws and regulations of the City of Somerville? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If no, explain: _____

6. Has the Owner been charged in any jurisdiction with any form of wage theft in the last 3 years? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

Section 4. Compliance Information

Each individual (e.g. partner, trustee, manager) with a 10% or greater ownership stake in the business must complete a separate copy of this form.

Owner's Name: Ivelise Rivera Ownership Stake (%) 51 % owner of Herban Legends of Boston, LLC

1. Has the Owner ever obtained a marijuana-related license in any jurisdiction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

2. Has the Owner ever had any type of license denied, revoked or suspended in any jurisdiction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

3. Has the Owner ever received a Notice of Violation in any jurisdiction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

4. Has the Owner been in compliance for the last 3 years (or since being in business in Massachusetts, whichever is less), and is the applicant currently in compliance, with all laws and regulations of the State of Massachusetts? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If no, explain: _____

5. Has the Owner been in compliance for the last 3 years (or since being in business in Somerville, whichever is less), and is the applicant currently in compliance, with all laws and regulations of the City of Somerville? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If no, explain: _____

6. Has the Owner been charged in any jurisdiction with any form of wage theft in the last 3 years? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

Section 4. Compliance Information

Each individual (e.g. partner, trustee, manager) with a 10% or greater ownership stake in the business must complete a separate copy of this form.

Owner's Name: Renata Caines Ownership Stake (%) 49% owner of Herban Legends of Boston, LLC

1. Has the Owner ever obtained a marijuana-related license in any jurisdiction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

2. Has the Owner ever had any type of license denied, revoked or suspended in any jurisdiction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

3. Has the Owner ever received a Notice of Violation in any jurisdiction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

4. Has the Owner been in compliance for the last 3 years (or since being in business in Massachusetts, whichever is less), and is the applicant currently in compliance, with all laws and regulations of the State of Massachusetts? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If no, explain: _____

5. Has the Owner been in compliance for the last 3 years (or since being in business in Somerville, whichever is less), and is the applicant currently in compliance, with all laws and regulations of the City of Somerville? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If no, explain: _____

6. Has the Owner been charged in any jurisdiction with any form of wage theft in the last 3 years? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

Section 4. Compliance Information

Each individual (e.g. partner, trustee, manager) with a 10% or greater ownership stake in the business must complete a separate copy of this form.

Owner's Name: Mikaz, LLC Ownership Stake (%) 49

1. Has the Owner ever obtained a marijuana-related license in any jurisdiction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

2. Has the Owner ever had any type of license denied, revoked or suspended in any jurisdiction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

3. Has the Owner ever received a Notice of Violation in any jurisdiction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

4. Has the Owner been in compliance for the last 3 years (or since being in business in Massachusetts, whichever is less), and is the applicant currently in compliance, with all laws and regulations of the State of Massachusetts? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If no, explain: _____

5. Has the Owner been in compliance for the last 3 years (or since being in business in Somerville, whichever is less), and is the applicant currently in compliance, with all laws and regulations of the City of Somerville? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If no, explain: _____

6. Has the Owner been charged in any jurisdiction with any form of wage theft in the last 3 years? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

Section 4. Compliance Information

Each individual (e.g. partner, trustee, manager) with a 10% or greater ownership stake in the business must complete a separate copy of this form.

Owner's Name: Jonathan Tucker Ownership Stake (%) 50% owner of Mikaz, LLC

1. Has the Owner ever obtained a marijuana-related license in any jurisdiction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

2. Has the Owner ever had any type of license denied, revoked or suspended in any jurisdiction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

3. Has the Owner ever received a Notice of Violation in any jurisdiction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

4. Has the Owner been in compliance for the last 3 years (or since being in business in Massachusetts, whichever is less), and is the applicant currently in compliance, with all laws and regulations of the State of Massachusetts? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If no, explain: _____

5. Has the Owner been in compliance for the last 3 years (or since being in business in Somerville, whichever is less), and is the applicant currently in compliance, with all laws and regulations of the City of Somerville? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If no, explain: _____

6. Has the Owner been charged in any jurisdiction with any form of wage theft in the last 3 years? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

Section 4. Compliance Information

Each individual (e.g. partner, trustee, manager) with a 10% or greater ownership stake in the business must complete a separate copy of this form.

Owner's Name: Tara Tucker Ownership Stake (%) 50% owner of Mikaz, LLC

1. Has the Owner ever obtained a marijuana-related license in any jurisdiction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

2. Has the Owner ever had any type of license denied, revoked or suspended in any jurisdiction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

3. Has the Owner ever received a Notice of Violation in any jurisdiction? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

4. Has the Owner been in compliance for the last 3 years (or since being in business in Massachusetts, whichever is less), and is the applicant currently in compliance, with all laws and regulations of the State of Massachusetts? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If no, explain: _____

5. Has the Owner been in compliance for the last 3 years (or since being in business in Somerville, whichever is less), and is the applicant currently in compliance, with all laws and regulations of the City of Somerville? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If no, explain: _____

6. Has the Owner been charged in any jurisdiction with any form of wage theft in the last 3 years? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, explain: _____

Section 5. Property Owner's Certification and Authorization:

If the property has more than one owner, each owner must sign a copy of this form:

Street Address of Business Location: 518-524 Somerville AVE

Zoning District and Overlay District, if any: _____

Assessor's Map _____ Block _____ Lot _____ Ward _____

Property Owner's Legal Name: Guo Jie, Qiu

Property Owner's Mailing Address (with zip code): 524 Somerville AVE, Somerville MA 02143

Property Owner's Type of Business (Check Only One and Provide the Names Indicated):

☒ **Sole Proprietor:** Name of Owner: Guo Jie, Qiu

☐ **Partnership (inc. LLP):** Name of Partnership: _____

Names of All Partners Who Own More Than 10%: _____

☐ **Trust:** Name of Trust: _____

Names of All Trustees Who Own More Than 10%: _____

☐ **Corporation:** Name of Corporation: _____

Name of President: _____

I certify that:

- ☒ I am the property owner or that I am duly authorized to act as an agent for the property owner, for the property located at 518-524 Somerville AVE, Somerville MA 02143
- ☒ Nuestra, LLC (legal name of Applicant) has been authorized by me to develop and use the property listed above for the purposes indicated in this application.
- ☒ I will permit any officials representing the City to conduct site visits on the property in connection with this Application and, if approved, this Applicant's business.
- ☒ Should the ownership of this property change before the City has acted on this Application, I will provide updated information and new copies of this signature page.

Owner Signature: [Signature] Date: 2/28/2020

Print Name: Guo Jie, Qiu

Title (Owner, President, Agent, Etc.): _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Section 6. Applicant's Certification, Acknowledgment, Release and Indemnification, and Wage Theft Statement

I certify that I am the Applicant or that I am duly authorized to act as an agent for the Applicant.

I certify that all of the information on this application is true and accurate, and that any information found to be false or misleading will result in the forfeiture of this license and may result in a one-year wait before a new application can be submitted, as well as criminal prosecution.

I certify that I will make no changes to any component of the business plan described in this application without written notification to, and the prior approval of, the City.

I acknowledge that any violation of the City's ordinances, regulations, and conditions pertaining to this license could subject me and anyone operating under this license to arrest, fine, and loss of this license.

I release, discharge and hold harmless, the City of Somerville, a municipal corporation of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and its officers, employees, agents and servants from all actions, causes of action, claims, demands, damages, costs, loss of services, expenses and compensation associated with the issuance of this license.

I certify that the Applicant, to my best knowledge and belief, has filed all State tax returns and paid all State taxes required under law.

I certify that the Applicant has not been found guilty, liable or responsible, in any judicial or administrative proceeding, of committing or attempting to commit a violation of any of the laws set forth in Municipal Ordinance 9-31, the "Wage Theft Ordinance", which appears below.

Signature:  Date: 6/04/2019

Print Name: Ivelise Rivera

Title (Owner, President, Agent, Etc.): Owner

Email: [REDACTED] Phone: [REDACTED]

Sec. 9-31. - Wage theft.

(a) The city, by and through its officials, boards and commissions, may deny an application for any license or permit issued by it, if, during the three-year period prior to the date of the application, the applicant admitted guilt or liability or has been found guilty, liable or responsible, in any judicial or administrative proceeding, of committing or attempting to commit a violation of: (1) Commonwealth of Massachusetts Payment of Wages Law, General Laws Chapter 149, Section 148, and any and all other state or federal laws regulating the payment of wages, including, but not limited to, Chapter 149, Sections 27, 27G, 27H, 52D, 148A, 148B, 150C, 152, 152A, 159C; and Chapter 151, sections 1, 1A, 1B, 15, 19 and 20 of the General Laws; and (2) The Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. §1692, or any other federal or state law regulating the collection of debt, as to the employees of the applicant or others who had performed work for said applicant.

— (b) Any license or permit issued by the City of Somerville, its boards or commissions, may be revoked or suspended if, during the three years prior to the issuance of the license or permit, the licensee or permittee admitted guilt or liability or has been found guilty or liable in any judicial or administrative proceeding of committing a violation of any of the laws set forth in subsection (a) above. — (c) Any license or permit issued by the City of Somerville, its boards or commissions, may be revoked or suspended if the applicant, licensee or permittee is a person who was subject to a final judgment or other decision for violation of any of the laws set forth in subsection (a) above within three years prior to the effective date of this section, and the judgment was not satisfied within the lawful period for doing same, or the expiration of the period for filing an appeal; or if an appeal is made, the date of the final resolution of that appeal and any subsequent appeal resulting in a final administrative or judicial affirmation of violation of any of the laws set forth in subsection (a) above. — (d) The period of non-issuance, revocation or non-renewal shall be one year, and the licensee or permittee or the person who is the principal of a license or permit shall not again be licensed or permitted in any other manner during such period. — (e) Within 14 calendar days from the date that the notice of refusal to issue, revocation or refusal to renew notice is mailed to the applicant or licensee or permittee, the applicant, licensee or permittee may appeal such decision by filing a written notice of appeal setting forth the grounds therefor. Said notice shall be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested. The hearing shall be conducted by the board, commission or individual who made the decision not to issue, not to renew, or to revoke within 30 days of receipt of such notice of appeal. — (f) An applicant for a business certificate, license or permit shall be provided with a copy of the ordinance from which this section derived and shall certify that he has not been found guilty, liable or responsible, in any judicial or administrative proceeding, of committing or attempting to commit a violation of any of the laws set forth in subsection (a) above. — (g) This law shall apply to any person or entity whose final administrative decision or adjudication or judicial judgment or conviction was entered on or after July 1, 2013, with the exception of judgments that remain unsatisfied as set forth in subsection (c) above. — (h) Application of this section is subject to applicable state or federal laws.



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Department of Industrial Accidents
Office of Investigations
Lafayette City Center
2 Avenue de Lafayette, Boston, MA 02111-1750
www.mass.gov/dia

Workers' Compensation Insurance Affidavit: General Businesses

Applicant Information

Please Print Legibly

Business/Organization Name: Nuestra, LLC

Address: 198 Tremont Street, Suite 228

City/State/Zip: Boston, MA 02116

Phone #: 617-821-5745

Are you an employer? Check the appropriate box:

1. ☐ I am a employer with _____ employees (full and/or part-time).*
2. ☐ I am a sole proprietor or partnership and have no employees working for me in any capacity.
[No workers' comp. insurance required]
3. ☒ We are a corporation and its officers have exercised their right of exemption per c. 152, §1(4), and we have no employees. [No workers' comp. insurance required]**
4. ☐ We are a non-profit organization, staffed by volunteers, with no employees. [No workers' comp. insurance req.]

Business Type (required):

5. ☒ Retail
6. ☐ Restaurant/Bar/Eating Establishment
7. ☐ Office and/or Sales (incl. real estate, auto, etc.)
8. ☐ Non-profit
9. ☐ Entertainment
10. ☐ Manufacturing
11. ☐ Health Care
12. ☐ Other _____

*Any applicant that checks box #1 must also fill out the section below showing their workers' compensation policy information.

**If the corporate officers have exempted themselves, but the corporation has other employees, a workers' compensation policy is required and such an organization should check box #1.

I am an employer that is providing workers' compensation insurance for my employees. Below is the policy information.

Insurance Company Name: _____

Insurer's Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Policy # or Self-ins. Lic. # _____ Expiration Date: _____

Attach a copy of the workers' compensation policy declaration page (showing the policy number and expiration date).

Failure to secure coverage as required under § 25A of MGL c. 152 can lead to the imposition of criminal penalties of a fine up to \$1,500.00 and/or one-year imprisonment, as well as civil penalties in the form of a STOP WORK ORDER and a fine of up to \$250.00 a day against the violator. Be advised that a copy of this statement may be forwarded to the Office of Investigations of the DIA for insurance coverage verification.

I do hereby certify, under the pains and penalties of perjury that the information provided above is true and correct.

Signature: _____

Date: 2/24/2020

Phone #: 617-821-5745

Official use only. Do not write in this area, to be completed by city or town official.

City or Town: _____ Permit/License # _____

Issuing Authority (check one):

1. ☐ Board of Health 2. ☐ Building Department 3. ☐ City/Town Clerk 4. ☐ Licensing Board
5. ☐ Selectmen's Office 6. ☐ Other _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone #: _____