

## Package Liquor Store Distance Separation

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 6, "ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES", ARTICLE I, "IN GENERAL", SECTION 6-4, "LOCATION AND USE RESTRICTIONS", TO AMEND AND INCREASE THE DISTANCE SEPARATION BETWEEN RETAIL STORES FOR OFF-PREMISES CONSUMPTION FROM 300 FEET TO 1500 FEET; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; REPEALER; SEVERABILITY; AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, retail stores for off-premises consumption in Miami Beach have been historically concentrated in the commercial and mixed-use entertainment districts along Washington Avenue, Collins Avenue, Alton Road and Ocean Drive; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Code allows certain uses within commercial districts, which, absent mitigation, could be incompatible with dense urban landscape of the community; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 1, of the Land Use Element, Objective 2, "Land Use Compatibility," of the City's 2025 Comprehensive Plan (hereinafter "Plan"), specifies that the City's land development regulations will be used to address the location, type, size and intensity of land uses and to ensure adequate land use compatibility between residential and non-residential land uses; and

**WHEREAS**, Policy 2.1 of the Plan provides that the land development regulations shall continue to address the location and extent of nonresidential land uses in accordance with the Future Land Use map and the policies and descriptions of types, sizes and intensities of land uses contained in [the Future Land Use] Element; and

**WHEREAS**, Policy 2.2 of the Plan provides that development in land use categories which permit both residential and non-residential uses shall be regulated by formalized land development regulations which are designed to ensure adequate land use compatibility; and

**WHEREAS**, compatibility shall be achieved by one or more of the following: (1) enumeration of special land uses which may be particularly incompatible with residential uses and may be prohibited in specified areas or zoning districts; (2) enumeration of special land use administrative procedures such as Conditional Use approval, which require public hearings prior to special land use approval; (3) *enumeration of special land use criteria such as minimum required distance separations from residential districts or uses or allowable hours of operation, to ensure that non-residential special land uses are properly located with respect to any residential uses to which they may be incompatible;* and (4) the vertical separation of residential and non-residential uses within mixed use buildings through the use of land use regulations on accessory uses within residential buildings, and the identification of those types of commercial uses which are particularly incompatible with residential uses and which shall therefore NOT be permitted in mixed use buildings; and,

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the City to create a distance separation, citywide, for certain uses, as there is a proliferation of certain uses, which can result in incompatibility with the residential districts, and the general health, safety and welfare of the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the amendments set forth below are necessary to accomplish all of the above objectives.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA.**

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 6, "Alcoholic Beverages," Article I, "In General," Section 6-4, "Location and use restrictions," is hereby amended as follows:

**CHAPTER 6**

**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES**

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**ARTICLE I. – IN GENERAL**

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**Sec. 6-4. - Location and use restrictions.**

(a) *Generally.* The following location and use restrictions are applicable for facilities selling or offering alcohol beverages for consumption:

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3) *Retail stores for off-premises consumption.* The minimum distance separation between retail stores primarily selling alcohol beverages for consumption off the premises as a main permitted use shall be ~~300~~ 1,500 feet. There shall be no variances from this distance separation requirement.

**SECTION 2. REPEALER.**

All ordinances or parts of ordinances and all section and parts of sections in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 3. CODIFICATION.**

It is the intention of the City Commission, and it is hereby ordained, that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made part of the Code of the City of Miami Beach, as amended; that the sections of this Ordinance may be re-numbered or re-lettered to accomplish such intention; and that the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section" or other appropriate word.

