CITY OF VINELAND, NJ

ORDINANCE NO. 2023- 37

ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2017-90, AS AMENDED, CHAPTER 216, SECTION 216-6 ENTITLED ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; CLOSED HOURS.

WHEREAS, on December 26, 2017, City Council of the City of Vineland adopted ordinance 2017-90, as amended, Chapter 216, Section 216-6 setting forth the hours during which a retail distribution licensee and retail consumption broad package privilege (Broad C) licensee operating as a package goods store may sell spirituous liquors in original containers (package goods) for off-premises consumption, which hours of operation are 9:00 am and 10: pm; and for wine and malt-beverage products in original containers (package goods) sales may begin at 6: am on any day of the week with all sales discontinuing between the hours of 2: am and 6: am on any day of the week; and

WHEREAS, the Vineland Police Department has determined that operation of package goods commencing at 6: am supports no legitimate purpose and the Chief of Police and Director of Public Safety have recommended that opening hour for sale of all alcoholic beverages should not begin before 9: am; and

WHEREAS, it has been reported to the Administration that most retail distribution licensees and Broad C licensees selling package goods for off premises consumption do not open before 9: am and Council finds it to be in the best interest of the City to change to hour upon which any such license establishment may open from 6: am to 9: am.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Vineland that Chapter 216, Section 216-6 A. of the Code of the City of Vineland be deleted and replaced as follows:

216-6 A. Retail distribution licensees and retail consumption broad package privilege (Broad C) licensees operating as a package goods store may sell spirituous liquors in their original containers (package goods) for off-premises consumption between the hours of 9 am and 10 pm; and for wine and malt beverage products in original containers (package goods) sales may begin at 9 am on any day of the week. All sales shall cease between the hours of 2 am and 9 am on any day of the week.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the balance of Ordinance not amended hereby shall remain in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that should any portion of this Ordinance be deemed unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, that portion so determined to be unenforceable, shall be void and the balance hereof shall remain in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that should any Ordinance or portion thereof be inconsistent herewith, such Ordinance or portion thereof shall be void to the extent of such inconsistencies.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and publication according to law.

Passed first reading:		
Passed final reading:		
	President of Council	
Approved by the Mayor:		
	Mayor	
ATTEST:		
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City Clerk		