

**Addendum C**

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**NATIONAL ALCOHOL BEVERAGE CONTROL ASSOCIATION**

**Public Health and Safety Benefits of State  
Alcohol Control Systems**

**WHEREAS**, alcohol is a unique product which can cause significant harms and costs to society as a result of underage drinking, binge drinking, impaired driving, and other inappropriate uses of the product; and

**WHEREAS**, the Constitution's Twenty-First Amendment provides that states are to regulate alcohol according to local customs and norms and 18 states and several counties in the state of Maryland chose a government control system model to provide a greater protection of the public health and safety; and

**WHEREAS**, these jurisdictions accomplish this protection of public health and safety in a variety of policy, operational, and regulatory practices focused on balancing the responsible distribution of alcohol with the public's interest; and

**WHEREAS**, based on the findings of a multitude of published peer reviewed scientific studies there is irrefutable proof that control systems have a positive public health and safety impact on their communities, and

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors of the National Alcohol Beverage Control Association asserts that control systems in the United States have a positive impact on the public health and safety of its citizens.

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