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DLCA REMINDS THE PUBLIC OF RESTRICTED LICENSED ALCOHOL SALES ON GOOD FRIDAY

(*U.S. Virgin Islands*)- The Department of Licensing and Consumer Affairs (DLCA) Commissioner Richard T. Evangelista, Esq., reminds business owners of the restrictions mandated by law on the serving of alcohol on Good Friday. According to VIC Title 1, Chapter 11, Subsection 171(b):

> "*Distilled liquor and drinks prepared therewith shall not be served in public places of refreshment between the hours of 9:00 o'clock in the morning and 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon on Good Friday. Whoever violates this subsection shall be fined not more than $200 or imprisoned not more than a year or both"*

Distilled liquor includes spirits and can be defined as grain alcohol, with a high alcohol content. Examples of distilled spirits include brandy, whiskey, rum, gin, and vodka. This does not include beverages such as beer, wine, and cider, as they are fermented but not distilled and have a relatively low alcohol content, typically less than 15%. Local cordials such as Pina Coladas, Coquito, and Guavaberry sales are not restricted on this day.

Commissioner Evangelista urges the public to report any business observed in violation of this law to the Department of Licensing and Consumer Affairs.

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