#### BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON ORDINANCE 2025-12

## ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 215-81, OF THE BOROUGH CODE EXTENDING OPERATING HOURS OF THE LICENSED CANNABIS RETAILER IN THE BOROUGH FROM 8:00 PM TO 9:00 PM

**WHEREAS,** Section 215-81 of the Borough Code authorizes no more than one cannabis retailer in the Borough;

**WHEREAS**, that retailer, known as "Jersey Meds", is owned by Jersey Meds Management LLC and is located at 7 Route 31 North in the Pennington Square Shopping Center, in the Business-Highway (B-H) zoning district;

**WHEREAS**, Jersey Meds has been in operation since 2023 and has been a productive and responsible member of the Pennington community;

**WHEREAS**, the State statute authorizing establishment of a store for the retail sale of recreational cannabis <u>N.J.S.A</u> 24:61-31 et seq, permits the municipality to regulate hours of operation;

**WHEREAS**, Section 215-81 of the Borough Code provides in Section D (1) that the operating hours for the licensed retail facility shall be between 9:00 am and 8:00 pm daily;

**WHEREAS**, with continued growth of Jersey Meds' clientele have come requests for longer hours from customers who would benefit from extended evening hours, particularly those with non-traditional work schedules or evening availability;

**WHEREAS**, Jersey Meds has therefore asked for extension of its operating hours to 9:00 pm;

**WHEREAS**, this one-hour extension of operating hours is compatible with the operating hours of other business establishments in Pennington Square, some of which extend to 10:00 pm, and is otherwise a reasonable accommodation for a growing and responsible local business;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED,** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington, that Section 215-81, Subsection D(1), of the Code of the Borough of Pennington is hereby amended (with new language underlined and deleted language crossed out) as follows:

"The operating hours of the licensed retail facility shall be between 9:00 a.m. and 8:00 9:00 p.m. daily. It shall be unlawful for any person to sell or dispense cannabis or cannabis products in any licensed retail facility at any time other than between these hours."

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that this Ordinance shall be effective upon passage and publication as provided by law.

Introduced:	August 4, 2025	
Advertised:	August 8, 2025	
Public Hearing:		
Adopted:		
Published:		
ATTEST:		APPROVED:
Elizabeth Sterling, Boroug	gh Clerk	James Davy, Mayor

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### RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE ON INTRODUCTION

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V	A.B.
Angarone	X				Rubenstein	X			
Chandler	S				Stern	X			
Marciante	M				Valenza				absent

### RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE ON ADOPTION

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V	A.B.
Angarone					Rubenstein				
Chandler					Stern				
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