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ABC REVOKES LICENSE OF SIERRA MADRE LIQUOR STORE

Sierra Madre -Investigators from the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) have posted a license revocation notice at Highlander Liquor, a store located at 303 W. Sierra Madre Blvd.

The action was taken as a result of multiple purchases of purportedly stolen property by the owner of the store. The sales took place at the premises. There were also other violations of law. The licensee has exhausted all his avenues of appeal.

The license revocation will take effect immediately and no new license can be issued for this location for a period of one year. The ABC must approve any new license. ABC District Administrator Hilarie Vazquez said, "By revoking this license, it will help the City of Sierra Madre cut down on alcohol related crime issues in this predominately residential neighborhood."

ABC Investigators conducted a three month investigation involving the purchase of stolen property by the owner of the store, the illegal sales also involved the licensee's brother. During that period ABC undercover investigators made four sales of purportedly stolen property to the owner of the store and his brother.

This investigation originated with the complaint of a concerned citizen