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## **ABC Suspends Alcoholic Beverage License at Sunnyvale Establishment** *ABC and Sunnyvale Police Team Up in Investigation*

(San Jose) - On December 20, 2006, the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control posted a 20 day suspension notice at a licensed business known as The Abyss, located at 146 S. Murphy Ave. in Sunnyvale. The suspension was the result of an accusation filed against the premises for disorderly premises, delaying and obstructing an investigation, refilling contaminated alcoholic beverages and allowing an intoxicated patron on the premises. The accusation was the result of a joint investigation conducted by the Sunnyvale Police Department and the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

In addition to the 20 day suspension, conditions were also imposed on the ABC license restricting live entertainment and the use of promoters at the premises, in addition to conditions to ensure that the premises operates as a bona fide eating place.

The location has been a source of on-going problems for the Sunnyvale Police Department. There has been an increase in calls for service due to disorderly activity taking place. On occasion, mutual aid calls have gone out to other law enforcement agencies due to large crowds at the premises. The use of promoters at the premises has drawn in large crowds from outside the area. This has created a public safety concern by the Sunnyvale Police Department. By sending a strong enforcement message that this type of activity will not be tolerated, both ABC and Sunnyvale Police hope this will increase the safety for citizens in the neighborhood and the community at large.

ABC is a Department of the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency.