

**City of Northampton  
MASSACHUSETTS**

*In City Council, December 5, 2019*

*Upon the recommendation of Mayor David J. Narkewicz and the License Commission*

*Ordered, that*

**19.184 An Order to Accept M.G.L. Ch. 138, Section 12 Permitting Cordials and Liqueurs**

WHEREAS, Massachusetts General Law, chapter 138, section 12 includes the following paragraph stating, "In any city or town which votes to accept the provisions of this paragraph, a common victualler, who holds a license under this section to sell wines and malt beverages may, upon written approval, also sell liqueurs and cordials pursuant to said license, subject, however, to all other licensing provisions of this chapter; and

WHEREAS, liqueurs and cordials are defined as flavored spirits product containing not less than 2½% by weight sugar, dextrose, levulose or a combination thereof made by mixing or redistilling any class or type of spirits with or over fruits, flowers, plants or pure juices therefrom or other natural flavoring materials or with extracts derived from infusions, percolation or maceration of such materials.; and

WHEREAS, the City of Northampton's acceptance of this provision will support local wine and malt license holders who wish to expand options for their customers while supporting the overall strength and vibrancy of our local economy; and

WHEREAS, upon acceptance of this provision any establishment seeking to serve liqueurs or cordials in Northampton would be required to obtain a permit from the License Commission and approval from the Massachusetts Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission (ABCC), and so

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,**

That the City of Northampton accepts the paragraph of Section 12 of M.G.L. Chapter 138 allowing a common victualler, who holds a license under Section 12 to sell wines and malt beverages to, upon written approval, also sell liqueurs and cordials pursuant to said license and all other licensing provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 138.

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Passed First Reading on Roll Call Vote of 8 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Councilor Sciarra)

Attest: Laura Krutzler, Clerk of Council

In City Council, December 19, 2019

Passed Second Reading on Roll Call Vote of 8 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Councilor Bidwell absent)

Attest: Laura Krutzler, Clerk of Council

Approved: David J. Narkewicz, Mayor

Rules suspended, passed two readings and enrolled.

I hereby certify that the above Order passed the Northampton City Council on December 19, 2019

David J. Narkewicz, Mayor approved the Order on December 23, 2019

Attest: Laura Krutzler, Clerk of Council