RESOLUTION NO. <u>314</u> - 2025

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE GRANTING OF AN INDUCEMENT TO BESPOKEN SPIRITS, INC., OR ITS SUCCESSOR OR AFFILIATE, PURSUANT TO THE KENTUCKY BUSINESS INVESTMENT ACT (KRS SUBCHAPTER 154.32), WHEREBY THE LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT AGREES TO REBATE ANNUALLY ONE PERCENT (1%) OF THE COMPANY'S OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE FEES FOR A TERM OF NO LONGER THAN TEN (10) YEARS FROM THE ACTIVATION DATE, SUBJECT TO THE LIMITATIONS CONTAINED IN THE ACT AND ANY AGREEMENT WITH THE KENTUCKY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY OR THE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT RELATED TO THE PROJECT, AND TAKING OTHER RELATED ACTION.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly has created the Kentucky Business Investment Program pursuant to KRS Subchapter 154.32 (the "Act") to induce the creation of certain qualifying projects that would create jobs in Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, the Kentucky Economic Development Finance Authority has preliminarily approved the participation of Bespoken Spirits, Inc., in the Kentucky Business Investment Program (the "Program"); and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government is willing to approve the granting of an inducement to Bespoken Spirits, Inc. (or its successor or affiliate), pursuant to the Act, whereby it would rebate annually to the Company one percent (1%) of the occupational license fee that would otherwise be due to it related to the employees who meet the requirements of the Program, which shall be retained by Bespoken Spirits, Inc., for a term of no longer than ten (10) years from the activation date established by the Program, subject to the limitations contained in the Act and any agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE LEXINGTON-FAYETTE URBAN COUNTY GOVERNMENT:

Section 1 – That the preamble to this Resolution is incorporated herein as if set out in full.

Section 2 – That the granting of an inducement to Bespoken Spirits, Inc., or its successor or affiliate as may be approved by the Kentucky Economic Development Finance Authority initially or in the future ("the Company"), be and hereby is approved pursuant to the Kentucky Business Investment Program of the Kentucky Jobs Development Act (KRS Subchapter 154.32).

Section 3 – That pursuant to the Kentucky Business Investment Program and KRS

154.32-090, the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government hereby agrees rebate

annually to the Company one percent (1%) of the occupational license fee due from and

remitted by the Company from the wages of those employees whose jobs meet the criteria

related to the qualifying project under the program (as determined by the Kentucky

Economic Development Finance Authority), for a term of no longer than ten (10) years

from the activation date established by the program, subject to the limitations contained

in the Act, any agreement the Company has with the Authority or the Lexington-Fayette

Urban County Government related to the project, and the submission of necessary

documentation.

Section 4 - That the Mayor, the Clerk of the Urban County Council, and other

appropriate officers and employees of the Urban County Government are hereby

authorized to execute, acknowledge and deliver any agreements, documents and such

other instruments and papers and to take such other actions as may be necessary or

desirable, on behalf of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government, to effect the

transactions authorized above.

Section 5 – That this Resolution shall become effective on the date of its passage.

PASSED URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL: July 1,2025

Linda Gorton

MAYOR

ATTEST:

URBAN COUNTY COUNCIL