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### **CCB Issues Summary Suspension of North Las Vegas Cultivation/Production Facility**

LAS VEGAS, NV - Pursuant to Nevada Cannabis Compliance Regulation (NCCR) 4.105, today the Nevada Cannabis Compliance Board (CCB) called an emergency telephonic board meeting to consider the summary suspension of the medical and adult-use cultivation and production licenses held by Helping Hands Wellness Center Inc. (C147/RC147-P092/RP092).

Board members present voted unanimously to summarily suspend Helping Hands Wellness Center Inc. located in North Las Vegas (Cultivation License #30364928071399411961 and 43239080077563699251 & Production License #53908146183081867945 and 60221456183974265627) effective immediately, citing a present threat to public health and safety.

Over a months-long investigation including a series of on-site inspections and review of surveillance camera footage, CCB Board Agents discovered Helping Hands' employees concealed and intended to divert cannabis and cannabis products, in addition to other significant security deficiencies. Upon review of surveillance footage, Board Agents observed and heard Helping Hands' employees including a manager attempting to hide cannabis and discussing plans to remove cannabis plants from the facility in December. During a follow-up visit in January, Board Agents uncovered untagged cannabis plants in the facility, which could not be properly traced in the State's seed-to-sale tracking system. Diversion presents a threat to public health and safety as it results in untracked and untested cannabis and cannabis products that may enter the illicit market.

Helping Hands Wellness Center Inc. is required to submit a plan of correction to the CCB for approval in order to lift the order and shall not resume operations until the CCB has confirmed the deficiencies identified in the order have been corrected.

This is the first summary suspension issued by the CCB in 2023.

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