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Cannabis Control Law regulations posted for 30-day Feedback period

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(Kahnawake – 8, Kenténha/October 2020) The Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke wishes to advise the community that the draft Regulations for the *Kahnawà:ke Cannabis Control Law* are now posted for a 30-day Feedback Period.

The Feedback period will end on Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 4pm.

“This is the core of the regulations – basically, the main components that, once enacted, will allow the application process to begin,” said Ietsenhaiensh Tonya Perron, who is the Lead on the Cannabis file. “The Kahnawà:ke Cannabis Control Board (KCCB) devoted a great deal of time and effort to the drafting of these regulations to insure that consideration was given to the varying concerns within the community, from both those in support of the industry as well as those opposed to it.”

Once the 30-day period is completed, the KCCB will review and analyze the feedback.

The *Kahnawà:ke Cannabis Control Law* was enacted on 10, Tsothórrha/December 2018. Work on the law began when Canada introduced its (then proposed) *Cannabis Act* in April 2017. The law is in response to Canada’s legalization of recreational cannabis in October 2018. The main focus of Kahnawà:ke’s law is to protect the health and safety of the community, to protect the youth by restricting their access and exposure to cannabis and cannabis by-products, and to deter illicit and illegal activities in relation to cannabis on the Territory.

At the time of the passage of the *Kahnawà:ke Cannabis Control Law*, it was announced that there would be a delayed implementation of certain provisions of the law relating to the issuance of any licenses until such time as the Cannabis Control Board was established and the applicable regulations are enacted.

The draft regulations can be viewed at www.kahnawakemakingdecisions.com.

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