

**CITY OF URBANA
LOCAL LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION
400 SOUTH VINE STREET
URBANA, ILLINOIS 61801
COUNTY OF CHAMPAIGN**

EMERGENCY ORDER

I, Diane Wolfe Marlin, hereby impose an emergency order as specified below for the "Unofficial St. Patrick's Day" event that is planned for Friday, March 2, 2018.

FACTS

1. "Unofficial St. Patrick's Day" is a large-scale, unsanctioned, alcoholic beverage drinking event (hereinafter, "Event") that has occurred in the Champaign-Urbana area annually within two or three weeks of St. Patrick's Day since 1996.
2. The Event is advertised to University of Illinois students and alumni and to other college students throughout the country and is heavily promoted on social networking sites. Last year, thousands of Facebook users said they would attend. As of the date of this order, thousands have used social networking sites to announce they are attending.
3. During the Event, participants begin drinking alcoholic beverages in the early morning hours in Campustown bars and at other locations and continue drinking throughout the day.
4. Participating Class A liquor establishments have promoted the event in the past by extending their operating hours and by offering discounts on alcoholic beverages. The Sections 6-28.5(b)(B)(10)(b),(c) and (d) of the Illinois Liquor Control Act of 1934 (235 ILCS 5/1-1 *et seq.*) provide that liquor licensees can discount alcoholic liquor during a specified time period only if the discount period is no more than four hours per day, does not extend beyond 10:00 p.m., and if the licensee has posted notice seven days in advance of when such discounting will be offered. 235 ILCS 5/6-28.5. (b)(B)(10)(b),(c) and (d).
5. In the past, this event has led to a significant increase in arrests of intoxicated persons for battery, disorderly conduct, criminal damage to property, and other public order offenses. The event also has resulted in a large increase in hospital emergency room admissions of persons experiencing the adverse effects of dangerous levels of alcohol intoxication. Last year, the event resulted in issuance of 114 notices to appear in Champaign and Urbana for underage consumption of liquor, sale of liquor to minors, and other violations. Numerous persons were treated in local hospitals for alcohol intoxication or for injuries sustained while under the influence.

FINDINGS

Based upon the above facts, I have a reasonable belief that there may be a threat to the public health, safety, and welfare and to property from celebratory activities by members of the public participating in the "Unofficial St. Patrick's Day" event. Urbana City Code Section 3-49(d)(1) states the following, in pertinent part:

The local liquor commissioner shall have the authority to impose a temporary preventative order . . . upon the operation of retail liquor license holders in a geographic area described in the order, for a period of up to forty-eight (48) hours, when the commissioner has a reasonable belief that there may be a threat to the public health, safety and welfare from celebratory activities by members of the public in response to the University of Illinois' participation in a noteworthy athletic event, or from some other form of anticipated public assembly or civil unrest.

Accordingly, I hereby find that a temporary preventative order is necessary.

ORDER

A. Pursuant to Urbana City Code Section 3-49(d), I hereby order that all Class A liquor license holders within the area of the City of Urbana bounded by West Oregon Street on the North, West Nevada Street on the South, South Goodwin Avenue on the West, and South Lincoln Avenue on the East shall be restricted in the following manner:

1. No licensee shall sell or serve or permit the possession or consumption of alcoholic liquor upon its licensed premises between 6:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. on Friday, March 2, 2018.

2. No licensee shall serve pitchers of alcoholic liquor between 11:00 a.m. on Friday, March 2, 2018, and 2:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 3, 2018.

3. No licensee shall serve alcoholic liquor in glass or metal containers between 11:00 a.m. on Friday, March 2, 2018, and 2:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 3, 2018.

4. No person under the age of twenty-one (21) years of age shall be allowed on the Licensed premises between 6:00 a.m., Friday, March 2, 2018, and 9:00 p.m. After 9:00 p.m., 18 to 20 year-old patrons will be allowed in.

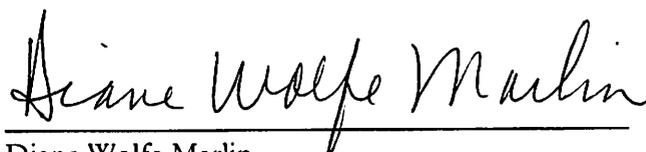
5. Licensee shall be required to have at least one employee at all public entrances to the licensed premises who shall check the identification of all patrons entering the premises during business hours beginning on Friday, March 2, 2018, until 2:30 a.m. on Saturday, March 3, 2018, to ensure that said patrons are of legal age to enter the premises. Any employees performing said identification checks shall be at least twenty-one (21) years of age during said time period.

6. No licensee shall be permitted to sell any alcoholic liquor on a discounted basis between the hours of 10:00 p.m. to closing of the establishment on Friday March 2, 2018 and Saturday, March 3, 2018.

B. All businesses currently holding a Class C liquor license allowing for the sale of package liquor for consumption off the premises shall be prohibited from delivering package liquor to addresses located within the geographic area bounded by University Avenue on the north, Wright St. on the west, Florida Avenue on the south, and Race St. on the east between the hours of 6:00 am and 11:00 am on Friday, March 2, 2018.

I further direct that this Emergency Order be filed with the City Clerk as soon as practicable and that it shall be served upon any retail liquor license holder that will be regulated by said order in accordance with the provisions of Urbana City Code Section 3-49(d)(4).

So ordered.



Diane Wolfe Marlin
Mayor of the City of Urbana
Local Liquor Control Commissioner

Dated at Urbana, Illinois, on 6 February, 2018.