AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING CHAPTER 17.50 OF TITLE 17 (ZONING CODE) OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE TO INCREASE POTENTIAL CANNABIS RETAIL SITES, AND TO CORRECT DISTANCE SEPARATION BETWEEN CANNABIS LABS AND OTHER CANNABIS USES, AND AMENDING CHAPTER 5.78 OF TITLE 5 (BUSINESS LICENSES AND REGULATIONS) TO INCREASE THE TIME LIMIT TO OBTAIN A CANNABIS PERMIT

The People of the City of Pasadena ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. Pasadena Municipal Code, Title 17, Article 5, Chapter 17.50, Section 17.50.066.D (Retailer), subsection 3 (Limitation on the Number of Retailers) is amended as follows:

"3. Limitation on the Number of Retailers.

a. No more than six (6) retailers may operate within the City of Pasadena at any one time and no more than six (6) permits shall be issued by the City of Pasadena for retailers to operate within the City of Pasadena; and

b. No more than one (1) three (3) retailers may operate within a city council district at any one time."

SECTION 2. Pasadena Municipal Code, Title 17, Article 5, Chapter 17.50, Section 17.50.066.D (Retailer), subsection 5 (Location Requirements) is amended as follows:
“5. Location Requirements. Cannabis retailers shall be permitted in only the CO, CL, CG, CD, and IG zoning districts and shall be subject to the following requirements:
   a. No retailer shall be established or located within 4,000 feet, measured from the nearest property lines of each of the affected parcels, of any other cannabis retailer or within 1,000 feet of any cultivation site, or within 500 feet of any testing laboratory;
   . . . ” (The remainder of this subsection remains unchanged)

SECTION 3. Pasadena Municipal Code, Title 17, Article 5, Chapter 17.50, Section 17.50.066.F (Testing laboratory), subsection 4 (Location Requirements) is amended as follows:

“4. Location Requirements.
   a. Cannabis testing laboratories shall be permitted in any zoning district where laboratories, medical or otherwise, are permitted and shall be required to comply with all zoning, land use, and development regulations applicable to the underlying zoning district in which they are permitted to establish and operate as set forth in the Pasadena Municipal Code.
   b. No testing laboratory site shall be established or located within 500 feet, measured from the nearest property line, of any other testing laboratory, or 500 1,000 feet of any cultivation site or cannabis retailer.

SECTION 4. Pasadena Municipal Code, Title 5, Article 2, Chapter 5.78, Section
5.78.080 (Permittee Selection Process), subsection H is amended as follows:

“H. If any of the top ranking applicants in each permit category has not secured a cannabis permit from the city within twelve (12) thirty-six (36) months of the city notifying them they were one of the top ranking applicants, their ability to obtain a cannabis permit shall terminate.”

SECTION 5. The City Clerk shall certify the adoption of this ordinance and shall cause this ordinance to be published by title and summary.

SECTION 6. This ordinance shall take effect 30 days from its publication.

Signed and approved this_______ day of________________, 2021.

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Victor Gordo
Mayor of the City of Pasadena

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing ordinance was adopted by the City Council of the City of Pasadena at its meeting held this _______ day of _______________ 2021, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:
Date Published:

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Mark Jomsky
City Clerk

Approved as to form:

/s/ Theresa Fuentes
Theresa E. Fuentes
Assistant City Attorney