

State of Rhode Island DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION 1511 Pontiac Avenue, Bldg. 69-1 Cranston, Rhode Island 02920

Division of Gaming and Athletics Licensing

IN THE MATTER OF:

Saptagiri LLC d/b/a Sbarro

Respondent

## CONSENT AGREEMENT

It is hereby agreed by and between the Department of Business Regulation ("Department"), Saptagiri, LLC d/b/a Sbarro, a Rhode Island limited liability company (hereinafter referred to as Respondent Sbarro") as follows:

I. Respondent Sbarro is licensed as a concessionaire/vendor pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §41-4-9.1 and operates its business at the Bally's Twin River Casino in Lincoln, Rhode Island (the "Casino"). Raghu Tadavarthy ("Owner Tadavartby") is the member/owner of Respondent Sbarro.

2. All individuals employed by and/or working for Respondent Sbarro's at the Casino are required to obtain a requisite license under R.I. Gen Law §41-4-9.1. Respondent Sbarro is responsible for ensuring that its employees and others working for Respondent at premises have the appropriate license issued by the Department pursuant to R.L G Laws§ 41-4-9.1.

- 3. On January 23, 2025, Owner Tadavarthy allowed unlicensed Concessionaires Vendor Employee Ippokratis Giatis into the Casino to work multiple shifts at Sbarro in violation of § 41-4-9.1.1. All employees must be licensed per R.I. Gen. Laws §41-4-9.1.
- 4. On a prior occasion dating back to February 8, 2021, the Department found and notified Respondent Sbarro's Owner Tadavarthy of noncompliance requiring employees and persons performing work at the Casino to have appropriate licenses.

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5. In an effort to resolve the above-referenced matter, effect a timely and amicable resolution of the issues raised in this Consent Agreement, Respondent Sbarro agrees pay an administrative penalty in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for allowing unlicensed individual to perform work for Respondent Sbarro at the premises without the requisite licenses. A check or money order in that amount shall be made payable to the RI Office of the General Treasurer and forwarded to the Department within ten (10) days of the date of this Agreement.

6. Respondent Sbarro agrees, for a two-year period beginning February 20, 2025, to submit monthly employment/work reports, which will include a list of all its employees an others performing work for Respondent Sbarro at the premises, date of hire and the Department license number.

7. If Respondent Sbarro fails to abide by the requirements of this Consent Agreement, the Department will be entitled to initiate administrative proceedings to suspend or revoke Respondent Sbarro's license in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, R.I Gen. Laws §42-35-1 et seq. (the "APA"). Respondent Sbarro shall be provided with notice and opportunity for hearing under the APA should the Department decide to take such action.

## THE DEPARTMENT AND RESPONDENT HEREBY CONSENT AND AGREE TO THE FOREGOING AS TO FORM AND SUBSTANCE:

Department of Business Regulation:

Christina Tobiasz

Gaming and Athletics Administrator

Date: 2/27/2025

Respondent: Saptagiri, LLC d/b/a Sbarro

By: Raghu Tadavarthy Its authorized: Manager/Member

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