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# NEWS RELEASE

## Fourteen of 18 Businesses Pass Tobacco and Alcohol Compliance Checks

**LEONARDTOWN, MD** (December 2, 2024) – On November 26, 2024, The St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office Alcohol Enforcement Unit conducted a succession of Tobacco and Alcohol compliance checks within St. Mary's County. The covert compliance checks involved using an underage Sheriff's Office Confidential Informant (CI). The CI is 19 years of age and was wearing jean pants and a long-sleeved shirt. The CI was informed to enter the store and retrieve a tobacco product coupled with an alcoholic beverage from the businesses that offers both items in an effort to purchase said products. The CI was accompanied by Sergeant Robert Merritt of the Sheriff's Office Special Operations Division. Sgt. Merritt was also wearing civilian attire and observed all transactions.

The Sheriff's Office visited 18 businesses, and 14 businesses passed the compliance check and asked the CI for their driver's licenses:

Lighthouse Liquors: 30411 Three Notch Road, Charlotte Hall

Subway Shell Gas Station: 30295 Three Notch Road Charlotte Hall

Walgreens Store #17672: 30283 Triangle Drive, Charlotte Hall

Vino 2 Wine & Liquor: 30320 Triangle Drive, Charlotte Hall

Fred's Liquors: 30075 Three Notch Road, Charlotte Hall

7 Eleven, Store #21067 29969 Three Notch Road, Charlotte Hall

New Market Exxon: 29290 Three Notch Road, Charlotte Hall

New Market Spirits: 29233 Three Notch Road, Mechanicsville

Vape Pro: 29220 Three Notch Road, Mechanicsville

Vapor's Lounge: 28943 Three Notch Road, Mechanicsville

Big Dogs' Paradise: 28765 Three Notch Road, Mechanicsville

Birdies Store: 28270 Three Notch Road, Mechanicsville

7 Eleven Store #20835: 28240 Three Notch Road, Mechanicsville

Wawa Store #583: 27605 Three Notch Road, Mechanicsville

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These four businesses did not pass the compliance check and failed to ask for any identification, and tobacco and/or alcohol was sold to an underage person.

Wawa: 30320 Three Notch Road, Charlotte Hall

Exxon - 30100 Three Notch Road, Charlotte Hall

Shivas Smoke Shop LLC: 29015 Three Notch Road, Mechanicsville

DJ's One Stop Shop: 28035 Three Notch Road, Mechanicsville

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