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CITY OF ROCKFORD LIQUOR COMMISSIONER SUSPENDS AVIATOR LOUNGE LIQUOR LICENSE

ROCKFORD, ILLINOIS. On Friday, November 1, 2013, Mayor Lawrence J. Morrissey issued an emergency suspension of the liquor license issued to the Aviator Lounge located at 3921 11th Street.

In the early morning hours of November 1, 2013, City of Rockford Police and Fire personnel discovered the business operating over capacity, without effective and approved security and with a dance floor greater than 150 square feet. These conditions were in direct violation of the Aviator Lounge's liquor license. Specific provisions of their liquor license prohibit the existence of a dance floor greater than 150 square feet, compliance with Fire Codes and operating in compliance with their security plan.

"The City of Rockford Police Department is expending far too many resources in our efforts to proactively address disorderly, unmanageable crowds at the business. We appreciate the Mayor for his assistance in intervening in this matter to ensure the community is safe and to work toward a successful resolution with the Aviator Lounge," stated Assistant Deputy Chief Doug Pann.

A hearing will be held on the further suspension of the liquor license on Thursday, November 7th, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. at City Hall, 425 East State Street, in Conference Room A

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