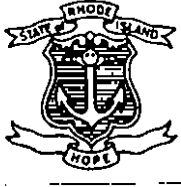


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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT  
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Pursuant to the provisions of Section 7-1.1-7.1, 7-16-9 or 7-13-2 of the General Laws, 1956, as amended, the undersigned business corporation, limited liability company or limited partnership hereby submits the following statement for authority to transact business in the state of Rhode Island under a fictitious business name:

- The legal name of the applicant business corporation, limited liability company or limited partnership is: Newport Bubble Tea, LLC
- The fictitious business name to be used is Empire Tea & Coffee
- The state or territory under the laws of which it is incorporated, organized or formed is RI
- The date of incorporation, organization or formation is January 22, 2004
- If a business corporation, the address of its registered office within Rhode Island is 270 Bellevue Ave. #314 Newport, RI 02840
- If a business corporation, the business in which it is engaged Food Service & Retail
- Applicant is otherwise authorized to do business in the state of Rhode Island.

Under penalty of perjury, I declare that the information contained herein is true and correct.

Date: 8/3/04

Newport Bubble Tea, LLC  
Name of Applicant Corporation, Limited Liability Company or Limited Partnership

By [Signature] Member  
Signature of Officer for the Corporation Title

or  
By \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Authorized Person for the Limited Liability Company

or  
By \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Authorized Person for the Limited Partnership

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