



Luke A. Bronin
Mayor

**EMERGENCY ORDER REGARDING
Food and Ice Cream Vendors Operating In
THE CITY OF HARTFORD**

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, the Governor of the State of Connecticut declared a public health emergency and a civil preparedness emergency for the State of Connecticut, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Sections 19a-131 and 28-9, in response to the global pandemic of COVID-19 disease associated with a novel coronavirus that is currently affecting multiple countries and states; and,

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national emergency to combat the coronavirus that is currently infecting the population of the United States; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, as the Mayor of the City of Hartford, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Sections 28-8a(a), 28-1(8), and 28-22, and pursuant to Chapter V, Sec. 2 (p) and Chapter V, Sec. 2 (x) of the Charter of the City of Hartford, I, Luke Bronin, declared a state of emergency, due to the significant danger to public health posed by the spread of COVID-19 and shortages of supplies and equipment necessary to protect the public health and safety, and the spread of COVID-19 to residents of the City of Hartford as a result of the global pandemic; and

WHEREAS, due to the significant adverse impact on public health of COVID-19, the Mayor is compelled to take action for the purpose of ensuring civil preparedness and mitigating the adverse effects of this emergency situation upon the residents of Hartford; and

WHEREAS, among best practices and prescribed measures of mitigation in light of this public health emergency is social distancing and the wearing of face coverings in public places; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, Governor Ned Lamont issued Executive Order No. 7 D that has limited social gatherings throughout the State to no more than fifty people, including religious, spiritual or worship gatherings and subsequently issued Executive Order No. 7N on March 26, 2020, limiting certain gatherings to no more than five people; and

WHEREAS, on May 18, 2020, Governor Lamont issued Executive Order No. 7 PP, which among other things added the violation of any Sector Rules, promulgated pursuant to the operation of public health facilities, be treated as a "nuisance" under state statute (CGS 19a- 206) and subject to orders to abate the nuisance by the local Director of Health, including the immediate closure of the facility violating the establish Sector Rules;

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WHEREAS, on May 29, 2020, Governor Ned Lamont issued Executive Order No. 7 TT, expanding the number of individuals who may gather in outdoor areas, but re-emphasizing the need to observe social distancing guidelines, as follows:

1. Amended Prohibitions on Large Gatherings. Effective at 12:01 a.m. on June 1, 2020, Executive Order Nos. 7D, Section 1 and 7N, Section 1, as extended by Executive Order No. 7PP, Section 3, are amended as follows:

- a. Except as otherwise prohibited or otherwise addressed by law, including other executive orders or agency orders or rules issued pursuant thereto, indoor social and recreational gatherings as described in Executive Order No. 7D, Section 1 are permitted for up to and including ten (10) people. Except as otherwise prohibited or otherwise addressed by law, including other Executive Orders or agency orders or rules issued pursuant thereto, outdoor gatherings as described in Executive Order No. 7D, Section 1 are permitted for up to and including 25 people, provided that any such large outdoor public gatherings shall comply with the following restrictions and all other relevant and applicable executive orders governing conduct in public places:

- i. No contact sports or sports that include shared handling of objects such as balls or frisbees are allowed.

- ii. Attendees shall remain six feet apart, excluding immediate family members, caretakers, and household members, and, except when dining, masks shall be worn when within six feet of those not in the same household.

- iii. If the event is an organized gathering, the organizer shall demarcate six feet of spacing in the area of the gathering to demonstrate appropriate spacing for social distancing.”; and

WHEREAS, food vendors, commonly understood as “food trucks,” have been allowed to operate as essential services under the Governor’s Executive Orders, but were required to adhere to all social distancing requirements under such orders and Sector Rules; and

WHEREAS, concerns have been raised that food and ice cream vendors operating in the City are attracting customers who are not adhering to, or vendors who are not requiring that customers adhere to, social distancing guidelines, and are not following the directive of Executive Order 7BB issued by Governor Lamont on April 20, 2020, requiring the use of a mask or cloth face covering when a person is in public and cannot adhere to social distancing guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the problem within the City has become acute, particularly after 9 pm, increasing concern that there could very well be a spike in the number of COVID 19 cases; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the City and People of Hartford to promote public health and to ensure civil preparedness to minimize the adverse impacts of the current public health emergency and civil preparedness emergency posed by the spread of COVID-19.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that, pursuant to the powers and duties granted in the Connecticut General Statutes and the Charter and Ordinances of the City of Hartford, in response to the civil preparedness and public health emergency now facing the City of Hartford, and in accordance with the advice from the City's public health officials, beginning June 17, 2020 at 9 PM through and including September 8, 2020, unless such Order is terminated or extended on or before said date:

- A. Any Food or Ice Cream Vendor operating in the City of Hartford, pursuant to Sec. 27, Division 4 of the Hartford Code of Ordinances, between the hours of 9 PM and 6 AM during the period of this

Emergency Order, shall be in violation of the provisions of CGS Sec. 19a-206 and Sec. 27, Division 4 of the Hartford Code of Ordinances.

- B. The Director of Health shall have the authority under Executive Order No. 7 PP, to issue an order to close, and such an order is enforceable at the direction of the Chief of Police.
- C. Food and Ice Cream vendors in violation of this order may also have their license to operate in the City revoked by the Director of Licenses and Inspection for the period of this Emergency Order, if it is determined such vendor has continued operation after 9 pm on more than one occasion.

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that this order will be made publicly available for inspection and review in the Office of the Town Clerk of the City of Hartford, conveyed to the Court of Common Council through its President, Maly D. Rosado, and shall be posted on the City of Hartford website.

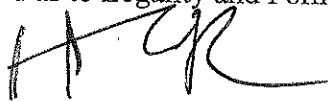
Date and Time: JUNE 17, 2020 4:00 pm

BY PROCLAMATION AND ORDER



Luke Bronin, Mayor

Attested as to Legality and Form



Howard G. Rifkin, Corporation Counsel

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