



CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

ORDER RESCINDING THE TEMPORARY EMERGENCY ORDER ALLOWING RESTAURANTS TO SELL GROCERIES DURING THE STATE OF EMERGENCY

EFFECTIVE JUNE 15, 2021

WHEREAS, in response to the outbreak of the 2019 Novel Coronavirus ("COVID-19") in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, over the course of 2020 through the present, Governor Charles D. Baker has declared a State of Emergency and issued a number of public health orders initially closing businesses, other than those that provide COVID-19 essential services, and restricting gatherings, and then in response to improving public health data phasing in the reopening of specific industries in Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Cambridge Commissioner of Public Health and Cambridge City Manager declared that a state of emergency exists in the City of Cambridge, and over the course of 2020 through the present the Cambridge Commissioner of Public Health and Cambridge City Manager have issued a number of public health orders specifically targeted to address the COVID-19 public health conditions in Cambridge; and

WHEREAS, the City's public health orders included the City's Temporary Emergency Order Allowing Restaurants to Sell Groceries During the State of Emergency, effective April 30, 2020, which suspended zoning and/or licensing requirements that would otherwise restrict or prohibit the sale of grocery items from restaurants or cafes so that restaurants could sell surplus products and provide additional locations where the public could purchase grocery items during the state of emergency; and

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2021, Governor Baker announced that the Commonwealth will lift all remaining COVID-19 restrictions as of May 29, 2021, and will end the Commonwealth's State of Emergency as of June 15, 2021;

WHEREAS, the City will also rescind its public health orders that address the reopening of businesses, gatherings and face-coverings as of May 29, 2021, and will rescind the City's declaration that a state of emergency exists in the City of Cambridge as of June 15, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the City has continued to closely monitor the public health data and the specific conditions in Cambridge, particularly in light of the availability of COVID-19 vaccinations and the City's cautious approach to reopening, and the City has experienced a sustained decline in the number of cases, hospitalizations and deaths linked to COVID-19; and

NOW THEREFORE, the Cambridge Commissioner of Public Health and the City Manager hereby order as follows:

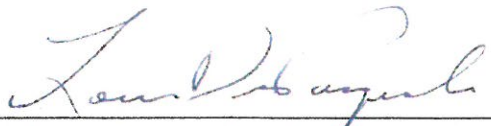
The City's Temporary Emergency Order Allowing Restaurants to Sell Groceries During the State of Emergency, effective April 30, 2020, is rescinded and of no effect as June 15, 2021.

Dated: May 27, 2021

By:



Assaad J. Sayah, MD, Commissioner of Public Health



Louis A. DePasquale, City Manager