Exhibit A



TOWN OF RIDGEFIELD

Planning & Zoning Commission

June 4, 2007

Mr. John Pierandri The Giardini Limited Partnership c/o Pierandri Realty, LLC and James Giardini 63 Prospect Street Ridgefield, CT 06877

Re: Application for Site Plan Approval

21 Units of Housing and Landscaping Plan at 63-67 Prospect St. pursuant to Sec. 407.0 (R-5 Zone) of the Zoning Regulations

File #2007-038-SPA

Dear Mr. Pierandri:

This is to inform you that the Planning and Zoning Commission, at its meeting held on May 15, 2007, voted to approve the site plan entitled, "Site Plan/Landscaping Plan, Garden Apartments, Pierandri Realty LLC and The Giardini Limited Partnership, 63-67 Prospect Street, Ridgefield, CT," last revised 5/7/07, prepared by John Kenyon Kinnear, Jr., A.I.A. This is a plan that shows 17 dwelling units in 4 new residential multi-family structures, and 4 additional units within an existing residential dwelling (with a new wing/addition) on the site, for a total of 21 dwelling units. The plan also includes provision for 32 parking spaces (4 are interior, garage spaces). The Commission reviewed the plan under the zoning regulations in effect prior to May 1, 2007, and approved the plan with the following condition:

- 1. The Commission will require additional review and may revise the landscaping plan on the east and west boundaries of the site following actual surveying of the property lines.
 - a. Existing large trees and shrubs on the east and west boundaries of the site, contiguous to the neighboring properties, may be required to be saved.
 - b. The Commission may require appropriate plantings based on height and size, after considering the nature and height of existing landscaping on the adjacent properties.

In addition to the Commission's consideration of the landscaping plan noted above, the following will be required as a result of review of the plans by the Director of Planning, the Fire Marshal, and the Highway Department:

- A detailed engineering plan showing contours, drainage structures, and site utilities shall be
 presented for review to the Director of Planning and the Town Engineer prior to the issuance
 of any zoning permit for construction.
- 3. The Plan shall show erosion controls and shall outline construction phasing and the method for erosion control for the duration of the project construction.
 - a. Prior to the issuance of any zoning permit or the commencement of any construction activity, all erosion and sedimentation control structures shall be installed in accordance with approved plans and specifications under the terms and conditions of this permit, with strict adherence to the 2002 Guidelines for Soil Erosion and Sediment Control, DEP Bulletin 34.

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- 4. As noted in the memorandum dated April 30, 2007 from Fire Marshal David Lathrop (copy attached), no vehicles shall be allowed to park on the west side of the driveway unless areas are specifically marked to permit parking.
- All building plans must meet applicable building and fire code requirements for multi-family dwellings.
- 6. The driveway shall be marked for one-way traffic circulation as shown on the plans, entering off Prospect Street and exiting at Sunset Lane.
 - a. In order to prevent the use of the driveway for through-traffic, and further to prevent vehicles from entering off Sunset Lane, a one-way gate shall be installed at the Sunset Lane exit (similar in function to the gate at the adjoining Wisteria Gardens complex).
- 7. Each building on the site shall require a separate Development Permit Application including the submission of two copies of a stamped and sealed class A-2 survey showing the location of the proposed structure.
 - a. An A-2 as-built survey for each of the structures is required prior to the issuance of the Zoning Certificate of Compliance for each of the buildings.
 - b. Prior to the issuance of the final Zoning Certificate of Compliance for the last dwelling unit (building) to be constructed or renovated on the site, an A-2 as-built survey shall be submitted showing the location of all site utilities, parking and vehicular areas, and buildings on the site.
- 8. The applicant is required to obtain permits and to comply with all applicable requirements of the Water Pollution Control Authority, the public water supply company, and the Ridgefield Department of Health.
- 9. In accordance with Connecticut General Statutes Sec. 8-3(i), approval of the Site Plan expires on 5/15/2012.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Very truly yours,

Betty Brosius, MPA, AICP

Director of Planning

cc: John K. Kinnear, A.I.A.
Richard Baldelli, Zoning Enforcement Officer
William Reynolds, Building Official
Diana Van Ness, WPCA Administrator
David Lathrop, Fire Marshal
Edward Briggs, Director of Health
Peter Hill, Director of Public Services
Charles Fisher, P.E., Town Engineer
Subject File

CHILLERA



March 23, 2016

Ridgefield, CT 06877 283 Great Hill Road Ms. Nancy G. Riedy, Ltd Partner The Giardini Limited Partnership

Our file #2007-038-SPA 21-unit Multi-Family Development 63-67 Prospect Street **Extension of Site Plan Approval**

Dear Ms. Riedy:

Approval for the above-named development, an approval originally granted in 2007 under the previously existing Section 407.0 in the Zoning Regulations (Multifamily-Residence R-5 Zone March 22, 2016, voted to APPROVE your request for a five-year extension of the Site Plan 15 Family Units per Acre). As you know, the property is now zoned MFDD. This is to inform you that the Planning and Zoning Commission, at its meeting held on

prior to May 9, 2011) to nine years, meaning that your Site Plan was in effect until May 15, to extend the expiration date for any Site Plan approved prior to July 1, 2011 (and not expired has therefore extended your Site Plan Approval to May 15, 2021, as you requested 2016. An additional five years extension is permitted under this Public Act, and the Commission However, in 2011 the Connecticut State Legislature adopted Public Act No. 11-5 (copy attached) Statutes, a Site Plan is good for five years and may be extended for an additional five years. This Site Plan was first issued by the Commission on May 15, 2007. Under State

All conditions of the original 2007 Site Plan Approval remain in effect.

If you have any questions, please call me at 203-431-2769.

Very truly yours,

Betty Busine Betty Brosius, MPA, AICP Director of Planning

Subject File #2007-038-SPA

cc:

Exhibit B



September Special Session, Public Act No. 20-7

AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEADLINES FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS AND MUNICIPAL MATTERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (76) of section 12-81 of the general statutes, any person otherwise eligible for a 2017 grand list exemption pursuant to said subdivision in the town of Berlin, except that such person failed to file the required statement within the time period prescribed, shall be regarded as having filed such statement in a timely manner if such person files such statement not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section and pays the late filing fee pursuant to section 12-81k of the general statutes. Upon confirmation of the receipt of such fee and verification of the exemption eligibility of such property, the assessor shall approve the exemption for such property. If taxes, interest or penalties have been paid on the property for which such exemption is approved, the town of Berlin shall reimburse such person in an amount equal to the amount by which such taxes, interest and penalties exceed any taxes payable if the statement had been filed in a timely manner.

Sec. 2. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (76) of section 12-81 of the general statutes, any person

otherwise eligible for a 2019 grand list exemption pursuant to said subdivision in the town of Berlin, except that such person failed to file the required statement within the time period prescribed, shall be regarded as having filed such statement in a timely manner if such person files such statement not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section and pays the late filing fee pursuant to section 12-81k of the general statutes. Upon confirmation of the receipt of such fee and verification of the exemption eligibility of such property, the assessor shall approve the exemption for such property. If taxes, interest or penalties have been paid on the property for which such exemption is approved, the town of Berlin shall reimburse such person in an amount equal to the amount by which such taxes, interest and penalties exceed any taxes payable if the statement had been filed in a timely manner.

Sec. 3. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (c) of subdivision (11) of section 12-81 of the general statutes and section 12-87a of the general statutes, any person otherwise eligible for a 2017 grand list exemption pursuant to subdivision (11) of section 12-81 of the general statutes in the town of East Haven, except that such person failed to submit evidence of certification pursuant to section 12-89a of the general statutes within the time period prescribed by the assessor or board of assessors or failed to file the required statement within the time period prescribed, or both, shall be regarded as having filed such statement or evidence of certification in a timely manner if such person files such evidence of certification or statement or both, as required by the assessor, not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section and pays any applicable late filing fee prescribed by the general statutes. Upon confirmation of the receipt of such fee, if applicable, and verification of the exemption eligibility of such property, the assessor shall approve the exemption for such property. If taxes, interest or penalties have been paid on the property for which such exemption is approved, the town of East Haven shall reimburse such

person in an amount equal to the amount by which such taxes, interest and penalties exceed any taxes payable if the evidence of certification or statement, or both, had been filed in a timely manner.

Sec. 4. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (A) of subdivision (7) of section 12-81 of the general statutes and section 12-87a of the general statutes, any person otherwise eligible for a 2017 and a 2018 grand list exemption pursuant to said subdivision in the town of Groton, except that such person failed to file the required statements within the time period prescribed, shall be regarded as having filed such statements in a timely manner if such person files such statements not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section and pays the late filing fees pursuant to section 12-87a of the general statutes. Upon confirmation of the receipt of such fees and verification of the exemption eligibility of such property, the assessor shall approve the exemptions for such property. If taxes, interest or penalties have been paid on the property for which such exemptions are approved, the town of Groton shall reimburse such person in an amount equal to the amount by which such taxes, interest and penalties exceed any taxes payable if the statements had been filed in a timely manner.

Sec. 5. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (A) of subdivision (7) of section 12-81 of the general statutes and section 12-87a of the general statutes, any person otherwise eligible for a 2018 grand list exemption pursuant to said subdivision in the city of Meriden, except that such person failed to file the required statement within the time period prescribed, shall be regarded as having filed such statement in a timely manner if such person files such statement not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section and pays the late filing fee pursuant to section 12-87a of the general statutes. Upon confirmation of the receipt of such fee and verification of the exemption eligibility of such property, the assessor shall approve the

exemption for such property. If taxes, interest or penalties have been paid on the property for which such exemption is approved, the city of Meriden shall reimburse such person in an amount equal to the amount by which such taxes, interest and penalties exceed any taxes payable if the statement had been filed in a timely manner.

Sec. 6. (*Effective from passage*) Any person otherwise eligible for a 2018 grand list exemption pursuant to subdivision (13) of section 12-81 of the general statutes in the city of Meriden, except that such person failed to submit evidence of certification pursuant to section 12-89a of the general statutes within the time period prescribed by the assessor or board of assessors, shall be regarded as having filed such evidence of certification in a timely manner if such person files such evidence of certification not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section and pays any applicable late filing fee prescribed by the general statutes. Upon confirmation of the receipt of such fee, if applicable, and verification of the exemption eligibility of such property, the assessor shall approve the exemption for such property. If taxes, interest or penalties have been paid on the property for which such exemption is approved, the city of Meriden shall reimburse such person in an amount equal to the amount by which such taxes, interest and penalties exceed any taxes payable if the evidence of certification had been filed in a timely manner.

Sec. 7. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (A) of subdivision (7) of section 12-81 of the general statutes and section 12-87a of the general statutes, any person otherwise eligible for a 2017 grand list exemption pursuant to said subdivision in the town of Middletown, except that such person failed to file the required statement within the time period prescribed, shall be regarded as having filed such statement in a timely manner if such person files such statement not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section and pays the late filing fee pursuant to section 12-87a of the general statutes. Upon confirmation of the receipt of such fee and

verification of the exemption eligibility of such property, the assessor shall approve the exemption for such property. If taxes, interest or penalties have been paid on the property for which such exemption is approved, the town of Middletown shall reimburse such person in an amount equal to the amount by which such taxes, interest and penalties exceed any taxes payable if the statement had been filed in a timely manner.

Sec. 8. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (76) of section 12-81 of the general statutes, any person otherwise eligible for a 2018 grand list exemption pursuant to said subdivision in the town of Middletown, except that such person failed to file the required statement within the time period prescribed, shall be regarded as having filed such statement in a timely manner if such person files such statement not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section and pays the late filing fee pursuant to section 12-81k of the general statutes. Upon confirmation of the receipt of such fee and verification of the exemption eligibility of such property, the assessor shall approve the exemption for such property. If taxes, interest or penalties have been paid on the property for which such exemption is approved, the town of Middletown shall reimburse such person in an amount equal to the amount by which such taxes, interest and penalties exceed any taxes payable if the statement had been filed in a timely manner.

Sec. 9. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (76) of section 12-81 of the general statutes, any person otherwise eligible for a 2017 grand list exemption pursuant to said subdivision in the city of New Haven, except that such person failed to file the required statement within the time period prescribed, shall be regarded as having filed such statement in a timely manner if such person files such statement not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section and pays the late filing fee pursuant to section 12-

81k of the general statutes. Upon confirmation of the receipt of such fee and verification of the exemption eligibility of such property, the assessor shall approve the exemption for such property. If taxes, interest or penalties have been paid on the property for which such exemption is approved, the city of New Haven shall reimburse such person in an amount equal to the amount by which such taxes, interest and penalties exceed any taxes payable if the statement had been filed in a timely manner.

Sec. 10. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (76) of section 12-81 of the general statutes, any person otherwise eligible for a 2018 grand list exemption pursuant to said subdivision in the town of Oxford, except that such person failed to file the required statement within the time period prescribed, shall be regarded as having filed such statement in a timely manner if such person files such statement not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section and pays the late filing fee pursuant to section 12-81k of the general statutes. Upon confirmation of the receipt of such fee and verification of the exemption eligibility of such property, the assessor shall approve the exemption for such property. If taxes, interest or penalties have been paid on the property for which such exemption is approved, the town of Oxford shall reimburse such person in an amount equal to the amount by which such taxes, interest and penalties exceed any taxes payable if the statement had been filed in a timely manner.

Sec. 11. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (76) of section 12-81 of the general statutes, any person otherwise eligible for a 2018 grand list exemption pursuant to said subdivision in the town of Plainville, except that such person failed to file the required statement within the time period prescribed, shall be regarded as having filed such statement in a timely manner if such person files such statement not later than thirty days after the effective

date of this section and pays the late filing fee pursuant to section 12-81k of the general statutes. Upon confirmation of the receipt of such fee and verification of the exemption eligibility of such property, the assessor shall approve the exemption for such property. If taxes, interest or penalties have been paid on the property for which such exemption is approved, the town of Plainville shall reimburse such person in an amount equal to the amount by which such taxes, interest and penalties exceed any taxes payable if the statement had been filed in a timely manner.

Sec. 12. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (76) of section 12-81 of the general statutes, any person otherwise eligible for a 2017 grand list exemption pursuant to said subdivision in the town of Seymour, except that such person failed to file the required statement within the time period prescribed, shall be regarded as having filed such statement in a timely manner if such person files such statement not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section and pays the late filing fee pursuant to section 12-81k of the general statutes. Upon confirmation of the receipt of such fee and verification of the exemption eligibility of such property, the assessor shall approve the exemption for such property. If taxes, interest or penalties have been paid on the property for which such exemption is approved, the town of Seymour shall reimburse such person in an amount equal to the amount by which such taxes, interest and penalties exceed any taxes payable if the statement had been filed in a timely manner.

Sec. 13. (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (76) of section 12-81 of the general statutes, any person otherwise eligible for a 2019 grand list exemption pursuant to said subdivision in the town of West Hartford, except that such person failed to file the required statement within the time period prescribed, shall be regarded as having filed such statement in a timely manner if such

person files such statement not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section and pays the late filing fee pursuant to section 12-81k of the general statutes. Upon confirmation of the receipt of such fee and verification of the exemption eligibility of such property, the assessor shall approve the exemption for such property. If taxes, interest or penalties have been paid on the property for which such exemption is approved, the town of West Hartford shall reimburse such person in an amount equal to the amount by which such taxes, interest and penalties exceed any taxes payable if the statement had been filed in a timely manner.

Sec. 14. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of subparagraph (c) of subdivision (59) of section 12-81 of the general statutes and subparagraph (c) of subdivision (60) of section 12-81 of the general statutes and the filing deadline specified for filing Form M-55 under the Airport Development Zone Program administered by the Department of Community and Economic Development, any person otherwise eligible for a 2019 grand list exemption under subdivision (59) or (60) of section 12-81 of the general statutes, or both, in the town of Windsor Locks, pursuant to a certificate of eligibility granted to such person by said department under said program, except that such person failed to submit said Form M-55 within the time period prescribed, shall be regarded as having filed said form in a timely manner if such person files said form not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section and pays the late filing fee pursuant to section 12-81k of the general statutes. Upon confirmation of the receipt of such fee and verification of the exemption eligibility of the property included in said form, the assessor shall approve the exemption for such property. If taxes, interest or penalties have been paid on the property for which such exemption is approved, the town of Windsor Locks shall reimburse such person in an amount equal to the amount by which such taxes, interest and penalties exceed the taxes payable if said form had been filed in a timely manner.

Sec. 15. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of section 10-76g of the general statutes concerning the deadlines for filing an application for a grant for the excess costs of special education under said subsection, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, the State Board of Education shall make payment for the excess costs incurred by the local board of education for the town of Milford for students omitted from the March, 2020, filing during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

Sec. 16. Subsection (o) of section 2 of public act 05-289, as amended by section 2 of public act 12-144 and section 9 of public act 15-184, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

(o) At the option of the city of Bridgeport by vote of the city council of the city of Bridgeport, the district shall be merged into the city of Bridgeport if no bonds are issued by the district [not later than fifteen years after] on or before July 1, [2005] 2025, or after the bonds authorized by this section are no longer outstanding and any property which is owned by the district shall be distributed to the city of Bridgeport.

Sec. 17. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding any period of performance date related to contract 20170140011490001A between the town of Branford and the Department of Economic and Community Development, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall pay, from the small town economic assistance program established pursuant to section 4-66g of the general statutes, the amount of five hundred thousand dollars as a grant-in-aid to the town of Branford for the costs of demolishing and reconstructing the Indian Neck Firehouse.

Sec. 18. (Effective from passage) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (m) of section 8-3 of the general statutes, any site plan approval granted by the Ridgefield Planning and Zoning Commission at its meeting held on May 15, 2007, and further extended by said

commission, for the construction of residential multi-family structures, and any modifications to such site plan, shall not expire if the applicant has obtained all the necessary building permits and commenced construction on or before the expiration date.

Approved October 2, 2020

Exhibit C

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

BY HIS EXCELLENCY

NED LAMONT

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 7JJ

PROTECTION OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND RESPONSE – MUNICIPAL GOVERNANCE MEASURES AND AUTHORIZATION FOR DEEP TO CONDUCT PROGRAMS THROUGH DISTANCE LEARNING

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, I issued a declaration of public health and civil preparedness emergencies, proclaiming a state of emergency throughout the State of Connecticut as a result of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) outbreak in the United States and Connecticut; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to such declaration, I have issued thirty-six (36) executive orders to suspend or modify statutes and to take other actions necessary to protect public health and safety and to mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that spreads easily from person to person and may result in serious illness or death; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has declared the COVID-19 outbreak a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the risk of severe illness and death from COVID-19 is higher for individuals who are 60 or older and for those who have chronic health conditions; and

WHEREAS, to reduce the spread of COVID-19, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Connecticut Department of Public Health (DPH) recommend implementation of community mitigation strategies to increase slow transmission of the virus, including cancellation of gatherings of ten people or more and social distancing in smaller gatherings; and

WHEREAS, no vaccine is available to prevent or mitigate the health effects of COVID-19, and testing and contact tracing capabilities are not yet available in sufficient quantities to permit large gatherings in close quarters, especially indoors; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 7S, Section 8, addressed tax relief claims that require municipalities to conduct specific duties, including but not limited to processing tax relief claims that require in-person meetings and application filing requirements for taxpayers who have attained age sixty-five or over or are totally disabled; and

WHEREAS, Sections 12-129n, 12-170v and 12-170w of the Connecticut General Statutes authorize municipalities to provide tax relief for taxpayers who have attained age sixty-five or over or are totally disabled; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) administers multiple programs that require education, testing, and certification, and such programs are necessary for the protection of public health, safety, and the environment or for safe conduct of regulated recreational and commercial activity; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide such programs and continuity of service during the COVID-19 pandemic, in a manner that protects public health by limiting in-person interactions that would increase the risk of transmission of COVID-19, it is necessary to conduct such education, testing, and certification activities remotely to the greatest degree practicable; and

WHEREAS, certain municipal charters, ordinances or resolutions require critical and time-sensitive town decisions necessary for the fiscal and public health and welfare of a municipality to be voted on in-person by referendum or town meeting; and

WHEREAS, the close contact and high attendance required for in-person voting through town meeting or referendum increases the risk of transmission of COVID-19 for voters and town officials, and will consume a significant quantity of critically needed personal protective equipment;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NED LAMONT, Governor of the State of Connecticut, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Connecticut, do hereby **ORDER AND DIRECT:**

- 1. Applicability of Executive Order No. 7S, Section 8 Suspension of Reapplication Filing Requirement for the Homeowners' Elderly/Disabled, Circuit Breaker Tax Relief Program and for the Homeowners' Elderly/Disabled Freeze Tax Relief Program. The biennial filing requirements in Sections 12-129n and Sections 12-170v and 12-170w of the Connecticut General Statutes for any taxpayers who were granted the benefit for the Grand List year 2017 and who are required to recertify for the Grand List year 2019, are suspended and such taxpayers shall automatically maintain their benefits for the next biennial cycle ending in Grand List year 2021.
- 2. Distance Learning and Remote Testing and Certification for DEEP Programs. To limit the risk of transmission of COVID-19, by reducing inperson interactions, Titles 15, 22a, 23, and 26 of the Connecticut General Statutes are modified to authorize the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection to issue any orders she deems necessary to facilitate registration for and participation in, classes and testing remotely using online methods or any other feasible means, including provision of any notice, conduct

of any classes, testing and certification required pursuant to these Titles, or regulations promulgated thereunder. The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection shall post a plan on its website to instruct the public how to register and participate in, classes and testing remotely and provide updated information on services conducted by its partners.

- 3. Tolling of Land Use and Building Permits. In order to ensure that land use and building permit holders may continue to diligently pursue permitted activities after the state of emergency, an approval or permit issued by a municipal land use agency or official pursuant to the "Covered Laws" as defined in Section 19 of Executive Order 7I, or by a municipal building official pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Chapter 541 and valid as of March 10, 2020, shall not lapse or otherwise expire during the state of emergency, and the expiration date of the approval shall toll during the state of emergency. To the extent that any such approval contains or is subject to conditions, the agency or official may waive such conditions if an approval holder is not able to abide by the conditions as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic or protective measures taken in response to it, provided that such waiver shall not be unreasonably withheld. This section shall not apply to an approval or permit whose holder was in violation of the terms and conditions of the approval as of March 10, 2020 or who violates such terms and conditions during the state of emergency.
- 4. Allowance of Suspension of In-Person Voting Requirements by Members of the Public for Critical and Time-Sensitive Municipal Decisions. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of the Connecticut General Statutes, including Title 7, or any special act, municipal charter, ordinance or resolution that conflicts with this order, the legislative body of a municipality, or in a municipality where the legislative body is a town meeting other than a representative town meeting, the board of selectmen, after making specific findings that such action is necessary to permit the orderly operation of the municipality and that there is a need to act immediately and during the period of the declared public health and civil preparedness emergency, in order to avoid endangering public health and welfare or prevent significant financial loss, or that such action is otherwise necessary for the protection of persons and property within the municipality, may (i) adopt or amend ordinances or resolutions only as necessary to complete transactions deemed essential; (ii) approve, enter into or amend existing contracts or agreements deemed essential; or (iii) option, acquire, transfer, lease, dispose of or sell any real or personal property, or interest therein, as shall be deemed essential, with the exception of non-judicial tax sales or other property transfers that would result in the eviction of a residential tenant, without complying with any requirements for in-person approval by electors or taxpayers, including but not limited to, annual or special town meetings requiring votes or referenda. In so acting, the legislative body shall comply with open meeting requirements set forth in Executive Order No.

7B. All conditions precedent to any such approval, including without limitation, public notices, hearings or presentations, shall proceed in a manner as closely consistent with the applicable statutes, special acts, town charters, municipal ordinances, resolutions or procedures as possible, and in compliance with the open meeting provisions set forth in Executive Order No. 7B. The foregoing authority is not intended to apply to budgetary or similar essential non-budgetary financial actions which require the concurrent approval of the municipal budget-making authority and are subject to the provisions of Executive Order Nos. 7I, Section 13, 7S, Section 7, and 7CC, Section 1. Nothing in this order shall be construed to prohibit a municipality from conducting any in-person meeting, approval process, or referendum, provided such municipality first consults with local or state public health officials and conducts such meeting, approval process, or referendum in a way that significantly reduces the risk of transmission of COVID-19.

Unless otherwise specified herein, this order shall take effect immediately and remain in effect for the duration of the public health and civil preparedness emergency, unless earlier modified, extended or terminated.

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut, this 6th day of May, 2020.

Ned Lamont Governor



By His Excellency's Command

Denise W. Merrill Secretary of the State

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

BY HIS EXCELLENCY

NED LAMONT

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 12B

PROTECTION OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY DURING COVID-19 PANDEMIC – EXTENSION AND EXPIRATION OF COVID-19 ORDERS

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, I declared public health and civil preparedness emergencies throughout the State of Connecticut as a result of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) outbreak in the United States and Connecticut; and

WHEREAS, on September 1, 2020, I renewed the March 10, 2020 declaration of public health and civil preparedness emergencies and also issued new declarations of public health and civil preparedness emergencies, which new and renewed emergencies remained in effect until February 9, 2021; and

WHEREAS, on January 26, 2021, I renewed the March 10, 2020 and September 1, 2020 declarations of public health and civil preparedness emergencies and also issued new declarations of public health and civil preparedness emergencies, which new and renewed emergencies shall run concurrently and remain in effect until April 20, 2021; and

WHEREAS, on March 31, 2021, I signed into law Special Act 21-2, through which the General Assembly ratified the previously mentioned declarations and endorsed a renewal and extension of such declarations through May 20, 2021; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to such declarations, I have issued various executive orders to protect public health, limit transmission of COVID-19, and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic (the "COVID-19 Orders"); and

WHEREAS, on April 19, 2021, I renewed the March 10, 2020, September 1, 2020 and January 26, 2021 declarations of public health and civil preparedness emergencies and also issued new declarations of public health and civil preparedness emergencies, which new and renewed emergencies shall run concurrently and remain in effect until through May 20, 2021; and

WHEREAS, on May 13, 2021, I signed into law House Bill 6686, through which the General Assembly endorsed a renewal and extension of such declarations and authorized me to continue to exercise the emergency powers provided in Sections 19a-131a and 28-9 of the Connecticut General Statutes through July 20, 2021; and

WHEREAS, on May 18, 2021, I renewed the March 10, 2020, September 1, 2020, January 26, 2021 and April 19, 2021, declarations of public health and civil preparedness emergencies and also issued new declarations of public health and civil preparedness emergencies, which new and renewed emergencies shall run concurrently and remain in effect until through July 20, 2021; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that spreads easily from person to person and may result in serious illness or death; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has declared the COVID-19 outbreak a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic remains a grave threat to public health and safety and civil preparedness in the State of Connecticut; and

WHEREAS, public health experts have determined that it is possible to transmit COVID-19 even before a person shows symptoms and through aerosol transmission; and transmission or "shedding" of the coronavirus that causes COVID-19 may be most virulent before a person shows any symptoms; and

WHEREAS, the CDC has recommended that people with mild symptoms consistent with COVID-19 be assumed to be infected with the disease; and

WHEREAS, to reduce the spread of COVID-19, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Connecticut Department of Public Health (DPH) recommend implementation of community mitigation strategies to slow transmission of COVID-19, including maintaining a safe distance from others and wearing masks or face coverings; and

WHEREAS, because COVID-19 has caused unanticipated health effects that are not fully understood by the medical community, residents, businesses, and government, agencies face new and unanticipated economic, fiscal, and operational challenges as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Connecticut continues to successfully conduct a campaign to vaccinate as many residents as possible against COVID-19, including having opened eligibility to all residents aged 12 or older and having vaccinated a large percentage of those most vulnerable to serious health effects from COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, I have previously announced that consistent with improved vaccination rates and reductions in COVID-19 infection rates, certain outdoor activities, could resume safely on May 1, 2021, and that on May 19, 2021, most remaining business and social gathering restrictions could be lifted; and

WHEREAS, in consultation with the Chief Court Administrator on behalf of the Chief Justice, I have determined that the Judicial Branch may safely resume certain additional court operations and reinstate certain time requirements and deadlines necessary for such resumption, while there remains a need for flexibility regarding certain venue and location requirements, timelines and deadlines associated with court operations; and

WHEREAS, having consulted with agency leaders, department heads, municipal and legislative leaders, and other stakeholders, I have identified many COVID-19 Orders, that may be allowed to expire after today, may be codified or extended by pending legislation before the end of June, or

may require a period of weeks for an efficient transition to the normal statutory or regulatory procedures which they modified; and

WHEREAS, as a result of such consultation, I have also identified many unexpired COVID-19 Orders that remain critical to the protection of public health and safety and the maintenance of civil preparedness and likely will remain critical to ensuring execution of the essential duties of government because they provide for an efficient and effective response to the COVID-19 pandemic, including but not limited to the continuation of Connecticut's nation-leading vaccination campaign, continued provision of needed healthcare and childcare in a safe and effective manner to residents throughout the state, and mitigation of the devastating economic effects of the pandemic;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NED LAMONT, Governor of the State of Connecticut, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Connecticut, do hereby **ORDER AND DIRECT:**

1. The following Executive Orders are repealed effective at 11:59 p.m. on May 20, 2021:

7E, Sections 3, 5	7M, Section 3	7DD, Sections 1, 2, 6, 7	7FFF, Section 1
7F, Section 3	7O, Section 1	7EE, Sections 1-4	10C, Section 1
7G, Sections 5, 6	7R, Section 5	7FF, Section 1	11A, Sections 1, 2
7J, Sections 5-7	7W, Sections 2, 8	7TT, Section 2	11B, Sections 3-5
7K, Section 1	7Z, Section 3	7CCC, Section 2	11D, Section 1

- 2. Executive Order No. 7K, Section 2 is extended through June 1, 2021.
- 3. The following Executive Orders are extended through June 30, 2021:

7B, Sections 1, 5, 6	7T, Section 6	7XX, Sections 3, 4	10A, Section 3**
7I, Sections 2, 3, 19	7V, Sections 3-5	7YY, Sections 2, 7, 8	10A, Section 5**
7J, Section 3	7CC, Sections 4-8	7CCC, Section 3	10E, Section 2
7L, Section 4	7DD, Sections 4, 5	7III, Section 3	11B, Section 1
7N, Section 6	7HH, Section 2	9H, Section 1	11B, Section 2 a.
7O, Section 4	7JJ, Sections 2, 3	9K, Section 8	
7Q, Section 3	7NN, Section 2	10, Section 6	

^{**} see sections below for modifications to these orders.

4. The following Executive Orders are extended through July 20, 2021.

7F, Section 4	7II, Section 2	7AAA, Section 4	9Q, Sections 1, 3
7J, Section 4	7CC, Section 3	7QQ, Section 6	11C, Sections 1-4
7K, Section 5**	7KK, Section 1	7EEE, Section 1	9S, Section 2
7P, Section 1	7NN, Sections 3, 5-8	9, Section 1	11D, Sections 2, 3**
7Y, Sections 3-5	7SS, Sections 1-3**	10, Sections 1, 4	12A

^{**} see sections below for modifications to these orders.

- 5. **Limited Extension of Executive Order No. 7K, Section 5.** Executive Order No. 7K, Section 5 is extended through July 20, 2021 only for employees employed before May 19, 2021 and volunteers engaged before that date who did not comply with the requirements set forth in section 19a-491c of the General Statutes as permitted under said order. The provisions of that Executive Order No. 7K, Section 5 shall not apply to employees hired on or after May 20, 2021 or volunteers first engaged after that date.
- 6. **Limited Extension of Executive Order No. 7M, Section 2.** Executive Order No. 7M, Section 2, subsection (2) is extended, retroactive to April 19, 2021, through June 30, 2021.
- 7. **Limited Extension of Executive Order No. 7SS, Sections 1-3.** Executive Order No. 7SS, Sections 1 through 3, are extended through July 20, 2021 only for temporary nurse aides employed before May 19, 2021. The provisions of those sections shall not apply to nor authorize the employment of temporary nurse aides on and after May 20, 2021.
- 8. **Subsequent Order to Follow Regarding Eviction Moratorium.** A subsequent order will follow regarding transition of the eviction moratorium (Executive Order No. 10A, Section 3) after June 30, 2021.
- 9. **Resumption of Additional Court Operations and Practices.** Executive Order No. 10A, Section 5 (partially extending Executive Order No. 7G, Section 2) is extended through June 30, 2021, but only as it relates to (1) all statutory location or venue requirements and (2) the right to speedy trial, including but not limited to Sections 54-82c, 54-82*l* and 54-82m of the Connecticut General Statutes. The remainder of Executive Order No. 10A, Section 5, shall expire at 11:59 p.m. on May 20, 2021.
- 10. **Modification of Executive Order No. 11D.** Executive Order No. 11D, Sections 2 and 3 are hereby modified to require that whenever exercising the authority in either of those orders, the department head or agency head must certify in writing to the specific reason that such exercise meets the requirement that the procurement is essential to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 11. **Any Other Executive Orders to Expire May 28, 2021.** Any order currently in effect that is not explicitly extended or modified by this Executive Order No. 12B shall expire at 11:59 p.m. on May 28, 2021, unless extended earlier.
- 12. **Modification of Thirty-Six Month Age Limit for Birth-to-Three Services.** Effective immediately and through June 30, 2021, (a) Section 17a-248 of the Connecticut General Statutes, and any associated regulations, rules, and policies are modified to authorize the Commissioner of the Office of Early Childhood to temporarily expand the definition of "eligible children" to include children who turn older than thirty-six months of age, who are presently engaged in early intervention services and not already determined to be eligible for services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part B. The Commissioner may issue any order deemed necessary to implement this order.

- (b) Sections 38a-490a and 38a-516a of the Connecticut General Statutes, and any associated regulations, rules, and policies are modified to require that the individual and group health insurance policies referenced in such sections shall continue to provide coverage for medically necessary remote early intervention services by qualified personnel after a covered child's third birthday when such child continues to receive such services in accordance with subsection (a) of this order.
- 13. **Extension of Municipal or Agency Orders.** Any unexpired order, rule, regulation, directive or guidance issued by any official, agency, department, municipality, or entity pursuant to an unexpired COVID-19 Order, which by its own terms provides that it shall remain in place for the duration of the public health and civil preparedness emergency, shall remain in effect through July 20, 2021, unless earlier modified or terminated by the issuing authority or a subsequent executive order or by the expiration of its enabling executive order.

This order shall take effect immediately and remain in effect through July 20, 2021 unless earlier modified or terminated.

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut, this 20th day of May, 2021.

Ned Lamont Governor

By His Excellency's Command

Denise W. Merrill Secretary of the State