DECLARATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY ORDER

Pursuant to the declaration of a public health emergency on March 17, 2020, 310 CMR 11.05, 105 CMR 300.200 and all other authorizing statutes and regulations, acting by and through its agent authorized under MGL c. 111, §31 we, the Director of Public Health for the Board of Health of the Town of Sandwich Massachusetts, hereby order the following:

1) All employees of all essential businesses shall wear a face covering over their mouth and nose when interacting with the public and within six feet of a co-worker. The cloth face coverings recommended are not surgical masks or N-95 respirators, which should be left for medical professionals and first responders. See this link for information on making a cloth face covering: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/cloth-fac...

2) All essential businesses shall post on their main entrance doors that it is highly recommended that the consumer entering the store wear a face covering.

3) a. Essential retail establishments as defined by Governor Baker’s Covid-19 Executive Orders must limit the number of customers and staff inside the establishment at any given time so that social distancing of six feet may be maintained. All retail establishments must establish maximum occupancy loads in accordance with the “Guidance for Grocery Stores” issued by the Massachusetts Commissioner of Public Health on April 7, 2020. See this order at: https://www.mass.gov/doc/order-grocery-stores-40-percent/download. Maximum occupancy shall be posted at each entrance to the establishment and shall be readily visible to members of the public.

b. An employee of the retailer shall be designated to ensure the maximum number of individuals inside of the store is not exceeded. Customers queued outside of the store must maintain a minimum of six feet distance.

c. Any portions of the store requiring extra staffing solely dedicated to services that are deemed nonessential pursuant to Governor Baker’s Covid-19 Executive Orders shall be closed.

d. Reusable shopping bags are prohibited. Single-use bags are permitted and shall be provided at no extra cost to customers.

This emergency order shall be effective beginning Thursday, APRIL 16, 2020 at 12:01AM and remain in effect until notice is given, pursuant to the Board of Health’s judgement that the Public Health Emergency no longer exists. To the extent necessary, this Order shall be enforced by the Board of Health and or its Agents.

ORDERED at Town Hall this 15th day of April 2020

David Mason Health Director Sandwich Board of Health