MARCH 19, 2020

JUSTIN ELLICKER, MAYOR

CITY OF NEW HAVEN
CONNECTICUT 06510

EMERGENCY ORDER NO. 3 REGARDING
CHILD CARE FOR CHILDREN OF FIRST RESPONDERS IN
THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the Mayor of the City of New Haven’s issued Executive Order No. 1, which, among other things, ordered that any and all child care centers providing childcare services for more than 12 children shall be closed with the exception of child care centers operated by licensed hospitals or affiliates of licensed hospitals, which are permitted to continue to provide childcare services for children of health care providers; and

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 15, 2020, the Mayor of the City of New Haven, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Sections 28-8a(a), 28-1(8), and 28-22, and Chapter 11, Section 11-23 et seq. of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of New Haven, 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 New Haven as a result of the global pandemic; and

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

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

WHEREAS, the powers granted by Connecticut General Statutes Sections 28-8a(a), 28-1(8), and 28-22, and Chapter 11, Sections 6, 7 and 11-23 et seq. of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of New Haven, proclaim said Mayor to have and exercise all executive and administrative powers conferred upon any municipal chief executive; and
WHEREAS, pursuant to the duties assigned by the City Charter to the Mayor of the City of New Haven that require the Mayor to cause the Charter, the Ordinances and laws to be executed and enforced, and to conserve the peace within the City, the Mayor shall be responsible for the good order and efficient government of the City; and

WHEREAS, in response to the issuance of declarations of a public health emergency and a civil preparedness emergency by the State of Connecticut, a declaration of national emergency and the spread of COVID-19 to residents of the City of New Haven; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the City and people of New Haven to promote public health and to ensure civil preparedness and 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, Executive Order No. 1, dated March 16, 2020, is amended to include the following additional exception:

In the interest of providing critically needed child care services for first responders during this public health emergency and civil preparedness emergency, any child care center providing child care services for more than 12 children may continue to provide child care services for any child whose parent or legal guardian is employed as a first responder, defined as “any peace officer or firefighter or any ambulance driver, emergency medical responder, emergency medical technician or paramedic, as defined in Connecticut General Statutes Section 19a-175”; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that, nothing in this order should be deemed or construed to counteract, reverse, withdraw, revoke or otherwise amend any previously or subsequently issued order, unless expressly stated; and,

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that, this order shall remain in effect until September 19, 2020, (the” effective period”) unless amended or earlier terminated; and

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 New Haven and shall be posted on the City of New Haven website.

Dated: 3/19/2020

Justin Elicker
Mayor