

EMERGENCY ORDER

WHEREAS on March 10, 2020, Governor Ned Lamont issued declarations of public health and civil preparedness emergencies and proclaimed a state of emergency throughout the State of Connecticut as a result of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19); and

WHEREAS on March 16, 2020 I issued a Declaration of Emergency pursuant to the provisions of Connecticut General Statutes section 28-1 (8)

WHEREAS the governor has ordered that all non-essential businesses shall close to help inhibit the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS a principle means of inhibiting the spread of COVID-19 is so-called “social distancing”; and

WHEREAS the supply chains for furnishing New Milford residents with goods and provisions have been adequate to serve New Milford’s population and is traditionally determined by the providers by population and it is my intent to preserve the current acceptable capacity to provide goods and services to New Milford residents; and

WHEREAS New Milford Emergency Services agencies and Department of Health are responsible for serving the general population of New Milford and it is my intent to protect such agencies’ capacity to serve and to prevent the system from becoming strained; and

WHEREAS travel for New Milford residents, as in other towns, is somewhat restricted by practical considerations and the practice of social distancing; and

WHEREAS after consultation with the New Milford Health Director I have determined that it is in the best interest of the residents of New Milford to reasonably limit the influx of non-residents to preserve and protect the capacity to serve our residents,

NOW THEREFORE:

PURSUANT to the authority vested in me by Connecticut General Statutes section 28-8a, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the operation of Airbnb lodging arrangements shall be and are hereby suspended and Airbnb lodging shall be prohibited within the borders of the Town of New Milford until June 16, 2020 or until the Emergency Declaration of March 16, 2020 is lifted. This order may be enforced by the New Milford Policed Department. Dated at New Milford this 23rd day of March 2020.

Pete Bass, Mayor

Attest
Notary Public