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2007 June 19

Mr. Gordon Fleming  
Manager, Public Health Issues  
Association of Local Public Health Agencies ('alpha')  
425 University Avenue, Suite 502  
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Dear Mr. Fleming:

At the 2007 February 8 regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Windsor-Essex County Health Unit, the Board supported the following resolution;

“WHEREAS in June of 2006 the provincial government made revisions to the Food Premises Regulation, Ontario Regulation 562/90 of the Health Protection and Promotion Act, resulting in exemptions for religious organizations, service clubs and fraternal organizations serving food at special events and bake sales, as well as farmers’ market food vendors;

“WHEREAS consistency in the inspection of exempted premises/ operations (religious organizations, service clubs, and fraternal organizations serving food at special events) is needed across the Province. The “Common Approaches for Farmers’ Markets and Special Events” provides a consistent method of inspection by Public Health Inspectors;

“WHEREAS the guidelines contained in the “Common Approaches for Farmers’ Markets and Special Events” fulfils the Board of Health’s duties under the Health Protection and Promotion Act including the revised Food Premises Regulations;

“THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Windsor-Essex County Health Unit adopt the “Common Approaches for Farmers’ Markets and Special Events” guidelines for implementation in the inspection of food premises exempt from Food Premises Regulation (O. Reg. 562/90);

“FURTHER THAT a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Mayors and Council of all Windsor-Essex municipalities; Local Members of Provincial Parliament; Local Members of Parliament; Dr. George Pasut, Acting Chief Medical Officer of Health; Director of Environmental Health Branch (Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care); Chair, Council of Ontario Medical Officers of Health; Manager, Public Health Issues, the

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Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alpha); Ontario Public Health Association; President, the Association of Supervisors of Public Health Inspectors of Ontario (ASPHIO); President, Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors (Ontario Branch) Inc.; and Ontario Boards of Health.”

Sincerely,



G. Allen Heimann, MD, MHSc.  
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Secretary to the Board of Directors

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cc: Dr. George Pasut, Acting Chief Medical Officer of Health  
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The Honourable George Smitherman, Minister of Health, Ministry of Health & Long-Term Care  
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Local Members of Parliament (Mr. Joe Comartin; Mr. Brian Masse; Mr. Jeff Watson; Mr. Dave Van Kesteren)  
Ms. Brenda Mitchell, Director of Environmental Health Branch (Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care)  
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Mr. Ken Gorman, President, the Association of Supervisors of Public Health Inspectors of Ontario (ASPHIO)  
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