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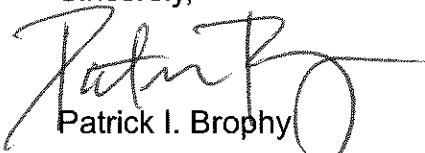
Good Afternoon,

With the public health emergency of COVID-19 (coronavirus) rapidly changing on a day-by-day basis, the City of Boston wishes to clarify its regulations about non-essential construction work permitted by the City of Boston. On March 16, 2020, Mayor Martin J. Walsh announced the City of Boston had ordered non-essential construction for City of Boston permitted sites to pause. Sites should have been locked down for safety by March 23, 2020. Due to the public health emergency in Boston and across the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, **this pause is still in effect until further notice.**

Allowing sites where people gather in large numbers, like construction sites, to continue operating will promote the spread of COVID-19. The safety and health of construction workers and all residents of Boston is the Mayor and the City's first priority, and we are not willing to put that at risk as the virus escalates throughout our communities. Mayor Walsh is working with various partners including construction firms and the building trades to determine protocols that would allow these sites to safely re-open in Boston.

Thank you for your partnership during this time. Additional information on Mayor Walsh's original order, can be found at www.boston.gov. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to the respective regulatory agencies. For building-related inquiries, please feel free to contact the Inspectional Services Department at 617.635.5300, for street-related work, please feel free to contact the Department of Public Works at 617.635.4900.

Sincerely,



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Chief of Operations