PHILADELPHIA LICENSE AND INSEPTION REVIEW BOARD

EMERGENCY REGULATION CONCERNING FILING DEADLINES, IN LIGHT OF THE COVID-19 EMERGENCY EPIDEMIC EVENT

The Philadelphia License and Inspection Review Board ("Board") recognizes that the SARS-CoV-2 virus emergency epidemic ("Covid-19 Event") is unprecedented. Our top priority is maintaining public health and the safety of all Philadelphians and those who work and invest in the City; by taking proactive steps now we can help mitigate a potential community spread. In furtherance of that commitment, the deadlines for filing appeals for all filing deadlines falling between March 13, 2020 and March 31, 2020 ("Affected Appeal Filing Period") shall be suspended. The time for filing appeals shall be extended for two weeks in every instance where the original deadline for filing would have fallen within the Affected Appeal Filing Period. The suspension of the appeal filing deadlines and extension of the time for filing appeals may be extended further, and the Affected Appeal Filing Period expanded on account of the Covid-19 Event at the discretion of the Chair of the Board; any additional suspensions and extensions of the time for filing appeals shall be posted on the Board’s website.

All appeals before the Board will be stayed unless the Board determines an emergency warrants immediate consideration. Anyone requesting an emergency hearing must fill out the Emergency Hearing Appeal Form attached to this emergency regulation and send an electronic copy to the following e-mail addresses: Michelle.Rand@phila.gov, suletazba@gmail.com, kristin.bray@phila.gov; joanna.klein@phila.gov; and, LawCodeEnforce@phila.gov. Upon the filing of an Emergency Hearing Appeal Form, the Board will seek the City’s position on whether
the matter should be heard at an emergency session. After reviewing the Emergency Hearing Appeal Form and the City's position, the Board, in an Executive Session, will either set a date for an emergency hearing to take place telephonically or the Board will deny the request for the emergency hearing. The Board will announce its Executive Session decision via e-mail.

The Board shall implement this emergency regulation immediately, which shall become effective as of March 18, 2020.