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## MEMORANDUM

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DATE: April 28, 2020

RE: EMERGENCY REGULATION DELAYING ENFORCEMENT OF AND

ADJUSTING APPLICABLE TIME FRAMES REFERENCED IN CHAPTER 9-

4900 OF THE PHILADELPHIA CODE: PROHIBITION ON USE OF CERTAIN BAGS BY RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS IN LIGHT OF THE

**COVID-19 PANDEMIC** 

Consistent with Mayor Kenney's March 11, 2020 Declaration of Extraordinary Circumstance: Suspending the Formal Regulatory Process for Regulations Concerning a Novel Coronavirus, I am hereby filing the attached "EMERGENCY REGULATION DELAYING ENFORCEMENT OF AND ADJUSTING APPLICABLE TIME FRAMES REFERENCED IN CHAPTER 9-4900 OF THE PHILADELPHIA CODE: PROHIBITION ON USE OF CERTAIN BAGS BY RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS IN LIGHT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC" effective immediately as a temporary regulation.

Please note that I am requesting the Department of Records follow the normal process for promulgating regulations pursuant to Section 8-407 of The Philadelphia Home Rule Charter simultaneously with the regulation going into effect immediately, as further explained in the attached Law Department approval memorandum and regulation.