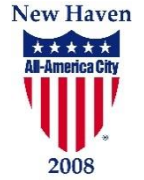




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The Honorable Tyisha Walker-Myers
President, Board of Alders
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RE: ORDINANCE AMENDMENT OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS TO THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN'S CODE OF ORDINANCES REGARDING CHAPTER 32 - ENFORCEMENT BY CIVIL OFFICERS, CREATING A UNIFORM PROCESS FOR CIVIL CITATION ENFORCEMENT

Dear President Walker-Myers:

I am pleased to submit the attached proposed amendment to Chapter 32 of the New Haven Code of Ordinances - Enforcement by Civil Officers.

The primary purpose of this proposal is to craft a uniform citation enforcement procedure for all ordinances of the City of New Haven. Under the current code of ordinances, each ordinance contains a separate procedure for issuing citations, conducting hearings, providing for appeals, assessing fines for violations, and collecting on the fines that are assessed. Some of these procedures are unnecessarily complex, and some of them fail to contain all the requirements under state statute. At the same time, many ordinances carry a penalty for violation, but do not reference any enforcement procedure at all. By amending Chapter 32 to create one single uniform citation enforcement procedure applicable to all city ordinances, the City will be better able to enforce its current laws as well as any laws to be created in the future.

A companion ordinance amendment is also being submitted to reflect this updated citation enforcement procedure across any applicable portions of the Code of Ordinances of the City.

This amendment will not have a fiscal impact on the City in terms of personnel.

I urge your favorable review and action on this matter. If you have any questions or if you require any further information, please feel free to contact me.

Very Truly yours,

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