The Honorable Charles Decker Chair, Legislation Committee Board of Alders, City of New Haven

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Dear Alderman Decker and Honorable Legislation Committee Members,

I am writing today to express my support for Ordinance OR-2020-0024. I have lived in Downtown New Haven for over fourteen years, and private trash and recycling trucks coming very early in the morning (sometimes as early as 2, 3, and 4 AM) is a continual problem. Over the years, the city has had difficulty addressing the problem, even after I have reported it on SeeClickFix, which has been frustrating. I appreciate the GPS proposal because it would provide a tool for actual enforcement which hopefully will deter the violations of the 5 AM pick up time, allowing residents like me to sleep past 5 AM. Based on my conversation with my apartment building manager, it seems that refuse hauling company managers are sometimes unaware that their drivers pick up trash before the legal 5 AM time, so this ordinance would also help trash companies better manage their operations.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter and my support for OR-2020-0024.

Thank you for taking action to benefit the residents of Downtown New Haven.

Yours sincerely,

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