



## CITY OF NEW HAVEN

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Honorable Board of Alders  
City of New Haven  
165 Church Street  
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**Re: ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO PROTECT JOB SECURITY FOR HOSPITALITY EMPLOYEES DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC BY ESTABLISHING A WORKER'S RIGHT TO RECALL HOTEL EMPLOYEES AND ENSURING THAT NEW HAVEN HOTEL EMPLOYERS HONOR THEIR FORMERLY LAID OFF EMPLOYEES BY RETURNING THEM TO WORK IN THEIR PREVIOUSLY HELD POSITIONS OR IN NEW POSITIONS AVAILABLE WITH QUALIFIED TRAINING.**

Dear President Walker-Myers:

I respectfully submit an Ordinance requesting authorization for the Mayor of the City of New Haven to protect the jobs of hospitality employees by establishing the worker's right to recall hotel employees. This ordinance will ensure that New Haven hotel employers honor their former employees right to return to work.

As hotel businesses reopen to the public and return to regular service as the pandemic wanes, the promise of regular positions for previously laid off employees is important to the economic stability of many New Haven residents. This ordinance will benefit the general welfare of the City of New Haven by accelerating our transition back to a more stable labor market and mitigating the damages to our city's economy.

I thank you for your kind consideration of this matter and ask for your prompt approval of the same. If you have any questions regarding the ordinance please reach out to Patricia King, Corporation Counsel at 203-946-7951

Very truly yours,

Justin Elicker  
Mayor

Copies to: Patricia King, Corporation Counsel  
Michael Smart, City Clerk