

**CITY OF NEW HAVEN**

**BOARD OF ALDERS**

As representatives of the people it is the role of the New Haven Board of Alders to bring the concerns of New Haveners to those positioned to address them.

The COVID-19 pandemic has created an unprecedented economic crisis in New Haven disproportionately affecting those who are least able to withstand its impacts including but not limited to the homeless, the unemployed, the underemployed, the working poor, the housing challenged, the small business owners, those in arts and entertainment, and others. These entities make up a large portion of New Haven’s people making New Haven one of the hardest hit places in the nation from this crisis.

Given the enormity of this crisis assistance is needed from all public and private entities that have the resources to assist. Attached is a resolution, to that end, calling on all public agencies and private entities, organizations, and corporations pool resources together to provide immediate financial relief and assistance for New Haven’s most impacted by the economic crisis from the COVID-19 pandemic as quickly as possible through methods that involve the minimal amount of bureaucracy.

RESOLUTION OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS CALLING ALL PUBLIC AGENCIES AND PRIVATE ENTITIES, ORGANIZATIONS, AND CORPORATIONS POOL RESOURCES TOGETHER TO PROVIDE IMMEDIATE FINANCIAL RELIEF AND ASSISTANCE FOR NEW HAVEN’S MOST IMPACTED BY THE ECONOMIC CRISIS FROM THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE THROUGH METHODS THAT INVOLVE THE MINIMAL AMOUNT OF BUREAUCRACY.

WHEREAS: the COVID-19 pandemic has created an unprecedented economic crisis in New Haven; and

WHEREAS: this crisis disproportionately affects those who are least able to withstand its impacts including but not limited to the homeless, the unemployed, the underemployed, the working poor, the housing challenged, the small business owners, those in arts and entertainment, and others; and

WHEREAS: these entities make up a large portion of New Haven’s people making New Haven one of the hardest hit places in the nation from this crisis; and

WHEREAS: Given the enormity of this crisis assistance is needed from all public and private entities that have the resources to assist; and

WHEREAS: as representatives of the people it is the role of the New Haven Board of Alders to bring the concerns of New Haveners to those positioned to address them; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS THAT we call on all public agencies and private entities, organizations, and corporations pool resources together to provide immediate financial relief and assistance for New Haven’s most impacted by the economic crisis from the COVID-19 pandemic.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THIS BE DONE as quickly as possible through methods that involve the minima l amount of bureaucracy.