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Noah D. Genel  
*Commissioner and Chair*

July 29, 2020

***COMMISSION DIRECTIVE***

To all licensees and registrants:

On July 24, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 crisis, Mayor Bill de Blasio extended the Open Streets Program, announcing 12 open streets locations of the program will include play streets. The Play Street Program provides families with safe, structured activities on 12 Open Streets during weekdays. Play Streets locations will operate Mondays through Fridays beginning July 27 through September 4<sup>th</sup>.

Vehicles will not be permitted to enter the streets during the hours of the full street closure. Pedestrians and cyclists can use the roadbed of each open street. No through traffic will be permitted except for limited access for local deliveries, pick-ups/drop-offs, necessary city service vehicles, and emergency vehicles. Permitted drivers are alerted to be vigilant and to drive no faster than 5 MPH along these streets.

***All licensees and registrants are hereby directed to complete waste collection in the affected areas between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m.*** Customers in the affected areas should also be notified that service *may* be interrupted or altered accordingly; licensees and registrants should communicate with their customers to ensure waste is collected in an orderly fashion. Business Integrity Commission (BIC) enforcement agents will be patrolling the affected areas to ensure compliance with this directive.

***For more information regarding the affected streets please visit the Department of Transportation website at: <https://www1.nyc.gov/html/dot/html/pedestrians/openstreets.shtml>. You are directed to review this list of affected areas routinely and thoroughly for sections that include your company's work sites or pick-up routes; the referenced sites should be monitored for an inclusive, up-to-date list of affected areas.***

Failure to comply with this directive may result in administrative penalties and/or fines up to \$10,000. See 17 RCNY 1-09. Failure to comply with this directive may also affect your company's licensing or registration status with BIC.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Noah D. Genel'.

Noah D. Genel  
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