

TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR

FIRST SELECTMAN JASON E. BOWSZA

October 18, 2021

Ms. Amy Lam, Town Clerk Town of East Windsor 11 Rye Street Broad Brook, CT 06016

Re:

Rescission of Town-wide Indoor Mask Mandate

Dear Ms. Lam,

In Governor Lamont's Executive Order 13A, municipal chief executive officers were left with the discretion to implement indoor mask mandates on a community-by-community basis. On August 19th, I notified you in writing that, effective August 20th, any person in the Town of East Windsor without a valid exemption would be required to wear a mask while indoors in any public building. In that letter, I cited local COVID-19 case statistics provided to me by the North Central District Health Department as justification for issuing the order. I also stated that the intention of the local declaration was to protect public health, public safety, and the economic welfare of the community.

During the ensuing period, I have continued to monitor COVID-19 case statistics in East Windsor and in surrounding communities on a daily basis. East Windsor has recently moved from a "red" designation to a "yellow" designation, and our trends continue to move in a positive direction in terms of our 14-day rolling average and our case rate per 100,00 people. Furthermore, our trends over the last two weeks (the established incubation period for new cases) continue to be trending in a positive direction.

Therefore, effective immediately, I am lifting the indoor mask mandate.

While the pandemic persists, our highest priority as a community should continue to be the health and safety of the most vulnerable amongst us – the elderly, and our children. Therefore, lifting the indoor mask mandate shall not <u>preclude</u> any individual from choosing to wear a mask indoors, out of concern for their health and safety or for the health and safety of others.

Sincerely,

Jason E. Bowsza

First Selectman

Cc: East Windsor Board of Selectmen

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