Office of
The Governor

No. 28-A-2 FY 19/20
DATE June 16, 2020

AN ORDER REAMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER 28 FY 19/20

WHEREAS, I proclaimed a state of emergency on March 15, 2020 and renewed states of emergency on April 14, 2020, May 13, 2020 and June 11, 2020 to authorize the use of emergency powers in order to protect Maine citizens and their health care delivery system in response to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 31, 2020 in consultation with the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention (Maine CDC) I issued Executive Order 28 FY 19/20 that, for the reasons and upon the authorities stated therein, provided for a number of restrictions, including in pertinent part limitations on the number of customers in a retail establishment at one time; and

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2020 in consultation with the Maine CDC I issued Executive Order 28-A FY 19/20 that, for the reasons and upon the authorities stated therein, increased those customer limits; and

WHEREAS, this Order is necessary to amend Executive Order 28-A FY 19/20 to align with the recent Maine CDC review;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet T. Mills, Governor of the State of Maine, pursuant to 37-B M.R.S. Ch. 13, including but not limited to the provisions cited in the Executive Orders referenced above, do hereby Order as follows:

I. ORDER

Executive Order 28-A FY 19/20, which amended section IV (C) of Executive Order 28 FY 19/20, is repealed and replaced with the following amendment of that section:

C. IN-STORE CUSTOMER LIMITS

To reduce the risk of community spread, retail establishments shall limit the number of customers in the store at one time to five customers per 1,000 square feet of shopping space, with no more than five customers in establishments with fewer than 1,000 square feet of shopping space. For purposes of this subsection, "shopping space" means the areas to which customers typically have access and excludes employee-only spaces such as stock, supply, storage, break and office areas. Stores shall as soon as practicable post at customer entrances

a notice informing customers of the store's shopping space square footage and customer limit, and actively monitor and enforce their limit. Stores must enforce the six-foot separation requirement between customers waiting in any lines that form outside the store. Such areas shall be marked with signage and ground lines designed to impose that distancing.

II. SAFETY MEASURES CONTINUED

All other requirements and standards set forth in pertinent Executive Orders, COVID-19 Prevention Checklists and Maine CDC and the Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD) guidance remain in effect to continue the protection of public health.

III. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Order takes effect June 16, 2020.

Janet T. Mills
Governor