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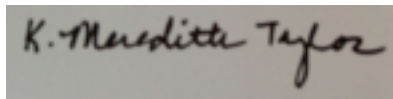
Dear Mr. Custard,

On behalf of the Alexandria Public Health Advisory Commission, I write to express our full support for the proposed changes to the Food Safety Code of the City of Alexandria. Since 1932, the city's Food Safety Code has provided a solid backbone for the food industry serving our residents and visitors. We believe that the proposed changes to the city code and the adoption of the 2013 FDA Food Code will continue to serve the city well.

The proposed changes to the city code cover the categories of 1) program administration, 2) food protection manager, 3) catering, 4) commissaries, and 5) enforcement. In summary, we believe that changes concerning the adoption of future versions of the code, reducing the burden of compliance, and clarifying the terms "catering" and "commissary" are important improvements to the code.

Please communicate our support for this code change to the Mayor and members of City Council. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss further.

Sincerely,

A rectangular box containing a handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "K. Meredith Taylor".

K. Meredith Taylor
Vice Chair, Alexandria Public Health Advisory Commission