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**CITY OF TORONTO**

**BY-LAW No. 812-2011**

**To amend City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 545, Licensing, respecting food handler certification for certain low risk premises.**

WHEREAS the *City of Toronto Act, 2006* grants the City of Toronto the authority to enact by-laws for the licensing, regulating and governing of businesses wholly or partly carried on in the City of Toronto and for the regulating of animals within the City; and

WHEREAS Chapter 545, Licensing, requires food handlers in premises that serve food and drink to the public to be trained and certified in order to help protect consumers and protect and promote public health; and

WHEREAS certain food premises in Toronto are classified as low risk and handle, store, sell, display, offer for sale or serve only pre-packaged non-hazardous foods such as packaged potato chips, candy, or soda pop; and

WHEREAS the types of foods handled, stored, displayed, offered for sale or served in these establishments pose a very low risk of food-borne illness or outbreak; and

WHEREAS the requirement of Food Handler Certification for these low risk establishments has caused hardship in the industry;

The Council of the City of Toronto HEREBY ENACTS as follows:

1. City of Toronto Municipal Code Chapter 545, Licensing, is amended by adding the following as § 545-5(17)(e):
  - (e) Section 545-5(17)(a) does not apply to low risk premises that handle, store, sell, display, offer for sale or serve only pre-packaged non-hazardous foods.
2. This by-law shall come into effect on its enactment.

ENACTED AND PASSED this 15th day of June, A.D. 2011.

FRANCES NUNZIATA,  
Speaker

ULLI S. WATKISS,  
City Clerk

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