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John R. Kasich/Governor

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Dear Mr. Sands:

The Ohio Department of Health Food Safety Program received your letter. The Ohio Uniform Food Safety Code does not require patrons to wear footwear in a food service operation. Many operations will adopt their own policy that patrons must wear footwear, shirts, etc., but it is not required. I hope this answers your questions. If not, feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jamie Higley".

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