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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES COMMISSIONER WILTON SIMPSON

April 2, 2024

RE: Footwear requirements for customers or patrons

Dear Mr. Shaw:

As requested in your letter dated March 21, 2024, I am writing to confirm that the statutes and rules administered by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Division of Food Safety (Division) do not include footwear requirements for customers or patrons in restaurants, grocery stores, convenience stores, businesses, or public buildings. While the Division does not enforce such footwear regulations, individual businesses may have requirements that address this issue.

Sincerely,

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