



STATE OF MAINE
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James Tasse
Bicycle Coalition of Maine on behalf of all Maine Bicycle Shops
38 Diamond Street
Portland, ME 04101

Dear James,

We have received your designation request.

After careful review, it has been determined that Bicycle Coalition of Maine on behalf of all Maine Bicycle Shops does align with the intent of and interests served by the Governor's Executive Order and therefore is considered an essential business within the meaning of the Order.

We strongly urge you to implement physical distancing measures and provide employees with the resources that they need to maintain a safe work environment. The best thing that Maine people can do to protect their health is to practice physical distancing and take the same preventive measures that avoid catching a cold. Wash your hands often for 20 seconds. Cover coughs and sneezes. Stay home if you are sick. Symptoms of COVID-19 include fever, shortness of breath, and lower respiratory distress. Call ahead to a health care professional if you develop a fever and symptoms of respiratory illness.

I would like to thank you for the hard work you are doing to support the needs of our state and the needs of your employees. Although these are challenging and uncertain times, one thing is certain, Mainers are strong and resilient, and we will get through this together.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to my office with any questions or concerns.

Stay safe and be well.

Sincerely,

Commissioner Heather Johnson