

Sent: Tuesday, May 26, 2020, 3:55 PM

RE: Commissioner's Weekly Coronavirus Update – May 18, 2020

Dear Colleagues,

This past Memorial Day, while the way we paid tribute to our nation's fallen servicemen and women may have looked different, our respect and gratitude for their service and ultimate sacrifice remains unwavering. Honor and courage have always been associated with our brave men and women in uniform, and during the COVID-19 pandemic, the courage and generosity of everyday heroes has given us strength that together, we will get through this difficult time.

At CTDOT, we will get through this difficult time together and with a plan shaped with employee feedback. If you haven't already – please complete the <u>CTDOT Employee Health & Safety Survey</u>. We want to hear your concerns and your ideas. We will be collecting surveys through <u>Friday</u>, <u>May 29<sup>th</sup></u>, so this is the last week to include your voice in the discussion. Your feedback matters—and so do your stories. There are countless stories of the CTDOT team going above and beyond during the COVID-19 emergency. Every week, I ask for your stories and pictures that help paint the picture of our work and our dedication to the people of Connecticut and each other during these challenging times. Please keep <u>emailing</u> them in – they are sincerely appreciated.

As always, remember - you can find more information related to COVID announcements on the employee webpage: <a href="https://portal.ct.gov/DOT/StaffCOVID/Info">https://portal.ct.gov/DOT/StaffCOVID/Info</a>, which now includes <a href="mailto:Safety Bulletins">Safety Bulletins</a>.

Be safe. Be well. And thank you for all that you do.

Sincerely,

Joe Giulietti Commissioner

## **DOT in the News**

COVID-19 update: Connecticut DOT gives a boost to outdoor dining – CT Mirror [May 23, 2020] ... Gov. Ned Lamont announced Saturday the issuance of the first-of-its kind state permit: Mystic Pizza was granted permission to use a state highway right-of-way for outdoor dining...[Story also covered by NBC30, FOX61, Hartford Courant, Patch, Newtown's HamletHub)