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Dear Mr. Carroll,

My name is Jessica Simmons and I am an Independent Living Coordinator at Cape Organization for Rights of the Disabled (CORD). I am writing to you as a friendly reminder that, as you are developing policies and making accommodations for COVID-19 in our communities (i.e., seating on sidewalks), you are keeping in mind the policy's impact they have on individuals with disabilities. Thus, ensuring that all buildings, businesses, and pedestrian access routes must remain accessible to individuals with disabilities. If restaurants are allowed to provide seating on sidewalks that block access to curb cuts, then ramps must be provided from the street level.

We offer free technical assistance to the community so please don't hesitate to contact us with questions or to refer businesses.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Jessica Simmons

Independent Living Advocate

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