

requirements of Sunday closings or limited Sunday operations for such food stores affect and are affected by the use of energy resources;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARVIN MANDEL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY ARTICLE 41, SECTION 15B OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (1971 REPLACEMENT VOLUME AND 1973 CUMULATIVE SUPPLEMENT, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 1 OF THE ACTS OF 1973, SECOND SPECIAL SESSION), INCLUDING PARTICULARLY THE AUTHORITY TO SUSPEND AND MODIFY EXISTING STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS AFFECTING OR AFFECTED BY THE USE OF ENERGY RESOURCES, INCLUDING THOSE RELATING TO THE HOURS AND DAYS DURING WHICH COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS MAY REMAIN OPEN, AND BECAUSE I AM ADVISED AND INFORMED THAT THE FOLLOWING IS REASONABLE AND NECESSARY IN VIEW OF THE SITUATION OF EMERGENCY, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM AND ISSUE THE FOLLOWING ORDER, EFFECTIVE AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH FOUR OF THIS ORDER.

1. Any retail store primarily engaged in the sale of food and non-alcoholic beverages may remain open between the hours of 12:01 a.m., and 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, February 10, 1974, notwithstanding the provision of any State, county or municipal law to the contrary.
  2. Any such law requiring the closing of such stores, or limiting the number of employees who may work in order for such a store to remain open on Sunday is hereby suspended for the period commencing 12:01 a.m. to 11:59 p.m., Sunday, February 10, 1974.
  3. Nothing in this Order shall require any such store to remain open or to affect any agreement between such a store and its employees relating to hours of work.
  4. I hereby declare that the situation to which this Order is directed is an emergency, and that it is not feasible to secure the approval of the Committee on Administrative, Executive and Legislative Review prior to the taking effect of this Order. Therefore, this Order shall become effective as of 12:01 a.m., Sunday, February 10, 1974, subject to reversal or modification by the committee when convened.
  5. A copy of this Order shall be delivered immediately to the Chairman of the Committee on Administrative, Executive and Legislative Review or in his absence, the Vice Chairman.
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