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Temporary Residential Smoke Detector Inspection Policy for RI State of Emergency COVID-19.

Due to the current state of emergency, the City of East Providence will be following the guidance put forth by the State of RI Fire Safety Code-Board of Appeal and Review regarding smoke and carbon monoxide alarm inspections for home sales (see FILE NO: DDE2020BV1).

You have two options:

Option 1:

You may submit a video of the working smoke detectors to tsailsbury@eastprovfire.com. Please use the following guidance: The video must be on YouTube and a link must be provided. The video needs to show the house from the outside and be continuous for the length of the inspection. The home address needs to be clearly visible and all detectors need to be shown being tested. Bedrooms with the corresponding detectors need to be visible. Homes built after 1976 have to show that detectors are interconnected. Please show each detector close-up so the age can be determined.

You are not required to video an occupied residence. You may use the second option of establishing an escrow account. **KEEP YOURSELF SAFE!!**

Option 2:

The City of East Providence will be accepting evidence of an established escrow account in the amount of \$150 payable to the buyer as a temporary measure to delay the required smoke detector inspection. The inspection shall be performed at a later date and within 60 days of the termination of the state of emergency. An unsigned certificate will be issued upon proof of the escrow account. A copy of the unsigned certificate will be kept on file. After the successful completion of the inspection, a signed certificate will be issued.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "K. Botelho".

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