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A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to facilitating food donations

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Title 16 of the administrative code of the city of New York is amended by adding a new chapter 4-G to read as follows:

CHAPTER 4-G

FOOD WEB PORTAL

§ 16-497 Food web portal. Within six months after the effective date of the local law that added this section, the department or another agency or office designated by the mayor, shall, in conjunction with the department of information technology and telecommunications, create and maintain a web portal that will allow prospective food donors and recipients, including but not limited to restaurants, grocery stores, produce markets, dining facilities and food rescue organizations, to post notifications concerning the availability of food, including food that would otherwise go to waste, and to arrange for the transportation or retrieval of such food. Such portal shall, at a minimum, allow (i) a prospective food donor to describe the type of food available and to specify logistical information such as size, refrigeration requirements, packing parameters and location, (ii) a prospective food recipient to specify the types and size of food donations it will accept and the areas of the city it will accept donations from and to receive immediate notification concerning the availability of food satisfying such specifications, and (iii) a prospective food donor and a prospective food recipient to communicate directly through a messaging system within such portal.

§ 2. This local law takes effect immediately.

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