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Int. No. 832

By Council Members Gerson, Stewart, Garodnick and Weprin

A Local Law to amend the administrative code of the city of New York, in relation to the definition of obstruction.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Subsection a of section 20-465 of the administrative code of the city of New York is hereby amended to read as follows:

a. No general vendor shall engage in any vending business on any sidewalk unless such sidewalk has at least a twelve-foot wide clear pedestrian path to be measured from the boundary of any private property to any obstructions in or on the sidewalk, or if there are no obstructions, to the curb. For the purposes of this subsection, the term obstruction shall include, but not be limited to, raised or uneven metal plating, basement or

cellar doors, tree roots, metal tree surrounds and inlaid bubble glass surfaces, which may affect ease of pedestrian movement. In no event shall any pushcart or stand be placed on any part of a sidewalk other than that which abuts the curb.

§2. Subsection a of section 17-315 of the code is hereby amended to read as follows:

No pushcart shall be placed upon any sidewalk unless said sidewalk has at least a twelve foot clear pedestrian path to be measured from the boundary of any private property to any obstruction in or on the sidewalk, or if there are no obstructions, to the curb. For the purposes of this subsection, the term obstruction shall include, but not be limited to, raised or uneven metal plating, basement or cellar doors, tree roots, metal tree surrounds and inlaid bubble glass surfaces, which may affect ease of pedestrian movement. In no event shall any pushcart be placed on any part of a sidewalk other than that which abuts the curb.

§3. This local law shall take effect immediately.

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