

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **Regarding the arrest of East Haven Zoning Enforcement Officer Frank Biancur, Mayor Joseph Maturo, Jr. released the following updated statement:**

“As I indicated earlier, I am saddened by the charges that were unsealed today regarding East Haven’s Zoning Enforcement Officer Frank Biancur. I want to assure residents that while this is certainly discouraging, we will take all appropriate steps to ensure that this development will in no way disrupt the Zoning Department or that department’s daily business.

As to the inquiries today about Mr. Biancur’s present employment status, I can only comment that insofar as this involves Town business it is a personnel matter and will be addressed accordingly by Frank Gentileco, Jr., the Town’s Assistant Director of Administration and Management.

With respect to this investigation, these allegations were brought to my attention just last week when I received a call at home from a Town employee about the matter. Immediately after fielding the call, I moved swiftly to alert our Police Chief and Federal authorities so that the allegations could be investigated. Since that time, we have cooperated and continue to cooperate in the government’s investigation.

Finally, I want to emphasize that the charges unsealed today are simply allegations and Mr. Biancur is entitled to the presumption of innocence guaranteed to him under the laws of this country. However, I also want to make it clear that this administration will not tolerate public corruption of any kind and will pursue all appropriate measures to investigate and prevent it now and in the future.