**BUSINESS OWNER**

**CERTIFICATION AND INFORMATION RELEASE**

I/We certify that the information contained Vermont Community Development Program CARES Act Application is complete and accurate.

I/We hereby authorize the Small Business Administration, Vermont Economic Development Association, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Economic Development Administration and other applicable public or private state agencies to release information regarding total grants and loans I received as part of the coronavirus pandemic recovery assistance to the State of Vermont, Vermont Community Development Program, in order to assist them in determining my eligibility for this program.

I/We will notify the Agency of Commerce and Community Development, Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) of any additional proceeds or payments received that are not listed on the Business Owner Assistance Affidavit and will provide authorization to release this information.

Any misrepresentation or false information may result in my application being cancelled or denied, or in termination of assistance.

I/We understand that if any statements are found to be false, I may be subject to criminal, civil and administrative penalties and sanctions. I understand that fraud may be investigated by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Inspector General, and may be punished under Federal laws to include, but not limited to, 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 18 U.S.C. 641.

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***Notary Signature Date***

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