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PUBLIC NOTICE: CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM STATE WAIVER REQUEST PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY – COVID-19 (CACFP NON-CONGREGATE FEEDING) MARCH 20, 2020

In accordance with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Food Nutrition Services (FNS) policy memorandum, CACFP12-2018, SFSP05-2018 - *Child Nutrition Program Waiver Request Guidance and Protocol-Revised*, May 24, 2018, the Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning (DECAL) is seeking a waiver of statutory and/or regulatory Program requirements.

The Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning (DECAL) is requesting this waiver to enable CACFP participants to consume Program meals in a <u>non-congregate</u> setting during the Federal declaration of a public health emergency due to COVID-19. Specifically, DECAL requests the following to be waived:

• Section 17 of the NSLA (42 U.S.C. 1766)

A copy of the official request can be found here: http://decal.ga.gov/Nutrition/Default.aspx

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