



## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AWARDS 4-YEAR MORATORIUM TO THE TOWN OF BROOKFIELD UNDER THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING APPEALS ACT (C.G.S. 8-30g)

(HARTFORD, CT) – Today, Department of Housing (DOH) Commissioner Evonne M. Klein announced that the Town of Brookfield has qualified for a moratorium under the Affordable Housing Land Use Appeals Act, more commonly known by its statutory designation, C.G.S. 8-30g. Effective July 25, 2017, the Town of Brookfield will be the sixth community with an active 4-year moratorium from the appeals procedure and the ninth community to have qualified for a moratorium.

In addition to the nine municipalities who have received a moratorium under this statute, another 31 municipalities are already exempt, having built at least 10% of their housing stock that qualifies as affordable. The list of exempt municipalities includes **8 large cities** (Bridgeport, Danbury, Hartford, New Britain, New Haven, Norwalk, Stamford, and Waterbury), **11 midsize cities** (Bristol, East Hartford, Enfield, Groton, Manchester, Meriden, Middletown, New London, Norwich, Torrington, and West Haven), and **12 smaller communities** (Ansonia, Bloomfield, Brooklyn, Derby, East Windsor, Killingly, Mansfield, Plainfield, Putnam, Vernon, Winchester, and Windham).

“Today’s announcement marks the third municipality, alongside Darien and New Canaan, to have received an 8-30g moratorium in the 2017 calendar year,” said Commissioner Klein. “What this demonstrates is that the goals set forth under the affordable housing appeals act are being achieved. Time and time again municipalities of all sizes have demonstrated that they are capable of building quality, affordable housing. I applaud Brookfield for reaching this threshold and hope that all of Connecticut’s cities and towns will continue working to increase their stock of affordable housing. Meeting the diverse needs of our residents—through the development of quality, affordable housing— sparks economic development, helps grow local grand lists, and contributes to the overall vibrancy of our cities and towns.”

Consistent with statutory guidelines set forth under C.G.S. 8-30g, the Town of Brookfield’s moratorium will become active on Tuesday, July 25, 2017, following publication in the Connecticut Law Journal.

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