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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **HARVEY BUSINESS SHUT DOWN DUE TO VIOLATIONS** ***Business Owners Held Accountable for Code and Sanitation Violations***

HARVEY, ILL –City of Harvey business owners are the center of attention for the community's Planning Department. As customer complaints ignite a fire to hold the proprietors accountable for deplorable conditions of their facilities, the city has recently shut down two area businesses, Popeye's and a gas station.

Popeye's was brought to the attention of the City of Harvey by a customer, who filed a complaint pertaining to food handling. The complaint prompted an inspection, conducted by an employee of the City of Harvey's Planning & Inspectional Services Department. The inspector documented a number of food sanitation and building code violations, resulting in the immediate closure of Popeye's at 257 East 147<sup>th</sup> Street, Harvey.

Planning & Inspectional Services also issued a report of code violations to Advanced Food and Fuel, located at 36 West 159<sup>th</sup> Street, Harvey. Violations such as improper storage of meat and poor electrical wiring, among other issues resulted in the immediate closure of Advanced Food and Fuel.

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“Our Planning Department is doing important work for our community, shutting down businesses that have significant code violations,” said Corean Davis, City of Harvey Chief of Staff. “We shut down a gas station that had meat stored on shelves. Tuesday, August 27, Popeye’s was shut down for due to poor sanitation.”

The owner of Popeye’s is working to comply and is allowed to open contingent upon all violations are satisfied in a timely manner. The office of the Cook County Department of Public Health will begin a clean sweep in Harvey for proper sanitation beginning the week of September 16, 2019.

“It is important for our community to understand that NO business - big or small - is allowed to serve our residents in a noncompliant building or an establishment with significant health and sanitation issues. We are partnering with the Cook County Department of Public Health and Sanitation department to ensure that all businesses are operating in a safe and sanitary manner,” said LaToya Carraway, Director of Planning & Inspectional Services.

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#### Picture #1

On Tuesday, August 27, the City of Harvey Department of Planning & Inspectional Services issued an order to close Popeye’s, located at 257 East 147<sup>th</sup> Street, due to several code and sanitation violations.



#### Picture #2

The City of Harvey Department of Planning & Inspectional Services closed Advanced Food and Fuel at 36 West 159<sup>th</sup> Street due to violations, such as the improper storage of meat, as pictured.

