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## North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Meat and Poultry Inspection Division

Joseph W. Reardon Assistant Commissioner for Consumer Protection

> Alan Wade Interim Director

March 10, 2020

## CERTIFIED MAIL/RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Miles Montgomery Daily Basket Grocery and Garden Market 3561 NC 8 and 65 Highway Germanton, North Carolina 27019

## NOTICE OF WARNING

We have an investigative case report showing that you violated the North Carolina Compulsory Meat Inspection Law and the North Carolina Poultry Products Inspection Law. This reported violation was discussed with you on February 10, 2020. Specifically, our investigation revealed that you processed (labeled), stored, offered for sale and sold misbranded/non-inspected meat and poultry products (lasagna with beef, ham dinner, chicken piccata, beef fillets, beef ribeye steaks and slice deli turkey) to the general public, that were produced without the benefit of State (N.C.D.A.) or Federal (U.S.D.A.) inspection. In a signed statement dated February 10, 2020, you stated that you had processed (labeled), stored, offered for sale and sold misbranded meat and poultry products to the general public for approximately six (6) months.

Please be advised that the sale of misbranded and/or non-inspected meat products and the sale of misbranded and/or non-inspected poultry products is a violation of North Carolina General Statute (N.C.G.S.) §106-549.23 and §106-549.56 with civil and/or criminal penalties. Please be advised that you will not receive any further warning with regard to this violation. If you should continue to sell misbranded/non-inspected meat and/or poultry products, we will pursue legal action against you to invoke the penalties associated with these continued violations. I certainly hope this expensive action will not be necessary. An officer from this department will visit you periodically to verify compliance.

Sincerely,

Alan Wade

Interim State Director

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