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### CRESCENT RIDGE KASHRUS UPDATE

During the past decade there has been an increase in ice cream and frozen yogurt stores opening in Greater Boston area and throughout the country that sell ice cream that is made and packaged in a Kosher facility. While the ice cream is kosher certified while in their original factory sealed containers, most of the actual stores that sell the ice cream are not certified kosher.

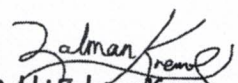
Crescent Ridge Dairy in Sharon, MA is one of these stores. The Kosher consumer should be aware of the risks involved in purchasing ice cream in a non-certified store and use great discretion. One should ascertain that the ice cream flavor is indeed certified and marked with a KVH-D by asking to see the container that the ice cream is being taken from before purchasing a given flavor. As printing errors may be possible it is important to be familiar with the list of certified Ice Cream flavors, that have been registered and certified as KVH Kosher Dairy (see attached LOC - as well as the product search feature on kvhkosher.org). Please note that if you find a flavors sold at Crescent Ridge, or anywhere else that is not on this list, you should notify the KVH so corrective action can be taken.

The consumer should also request that the ice cream scoop be washed off thoroughly under the faucet before being used for their particular order. Additionally, the toppings and cones need to be inspected on a case by case basis to determine if they are kosher.

Since Crescent Ridge is not certified at the retail level and there is no *mashgiach* who visits regularly to check up on them, the consumer must independently ascertain the kosher status of the products in question, each time a purchase is made! There cannot be any assumption that no changes were made since the last visit. There are many kashrus issues that can pop-up at non-certified stores; these are just a few of the more common concerns.

As the average person may not be aware of all of the kosher regulations, it is always preferable and recommended to only frequent shops under a reliable kosher supervision. We would very much like to see Crescent Ridge become one of these shops in the near future. You can always check with the KVH Kosher office, or your local Orthodox Rabbi for further guidance.

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