



## DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS

## DEPARTMENT OF FIRE

## CITY OF CHICAGO

EFFECTIVE 5/18/2020

Re: Commissioner Closure Order, **General Iron Industries, 1900-1942 North Marcy Street/1900 -1926 North Clifton "Yard and Shredding Facility", 1901-1925 North Clifton/1864 North Kingsbury "North Building", 1800-1840 North Kingsbury "South Building"**

### **EMERGENCY CLOSURE ORDER**

I, Judith Frydland, Commissioner of the City of Chicago Department of Buildings and Richard C. Ford II, Commissioner of the City of Chicago Department of Fire, hereby find that the property commonly known General Iron Industries located at **1900-1942 North Marcy Street/1900 -1926 North Clifton, 1901-1925 North Clifton/1864 North Kingsbury, 1800-1840 North Kingsbury**; Chicago, Illinois meets the requirements for closure as set forth in Section 14A-3-307.1 of the Municipal Code.

As a result of two separate explosions at the property located at 1909 North Clifton, on May 18, 2020, the structural stability of the structures that were directly affected by the blasts is unknown. These conditions are hazardous to any occupant or emergency responder in an emergency situation. It has therefore been determined that the site poses an immediate danger and constitutes an imminent threat to the public at large.

A review of the entire operations has to be conducted by the City of Chicago to ensure the appropriate safety measures are in place to prevent this from happening in the future.

Architectural plans must be submitted for review and issuance of a building permit. In addition, a structural engineer report regarding the structures that were affected must be submitted for review.

THEREFORE, by the police powers vested in Judith Frydland as Chicago Building Commissioner and Richard C. Ford II as Fire Commissioner, we hereby order that **General Iron Industries located at 1900-1942 North Marcy Street/1900 -1926 North Clifton, 1901-1925 North Clifton/1864 North Kingsbury, 1800-1840 North Kingsbury**, Chicago, IL, be immediately closed, and remain vacant, and that entry be denied except by licensed and bonded contractors engaged to examine, repair, and otherwise correct the aforementioned conditions, or otherwise by authorized City of Chicago personnel until further order. During the period of the closure, the operator is allowed to conduct routine maintenance on the site and to remove accumulated recycled materials from the site, but is ordered to cease intake of any new materials for recycling. This closure order is to be enforced by the City of Chicago Police Department.

*Judith Frydland*

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Buildings Commissioner

*Richard C. Ford II*

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Fire Commissioner