

MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE

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Mayor Ethan A. Berkowitz

MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY (COVID-19)

ISSUED BY THE MAYOR OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE PURSUANT TO ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 3.80.040.

WHEREAS, coronavirus or COVID-19, a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death, is caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus, which is a new strain of coronavirus that had not been previously identified in humans and can easily spread from person to person;

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared that the global coronavirus crisis is now a pandemic;

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the State of Alaska declared a public health emergency in response to an anticipated outbreak of COVID-19 in Alaska;

WHEREAS, COVID-19 poses a grave and imminent threat to the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Municipality;

WHEREAS, without emergency powers, available Municipal infrastructure resources will be inadequate to cope with the consequences of a COVID-19 outbreak and its resultant effects on the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Anchorage; and

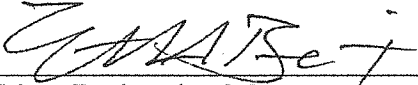
WHEREAS, this novel coronavirus has the potential to cause the death or injury of persons to such an extent that extraordinary measures must be taken to protect the public order, safety and welfare;

NOW, THEREFORE; pursuant to the authority granted in Article V, Section 5.02 of the Home Rule Charter for the Municipality of Anchorage and AMC 3.80.040, I hereby declare that an Emergency exists within the Municipality of Anchorage based upon the events and circumstances specified above; and

I HEREBY PROCLAIM THE FOLLOWING EMERGENCY REGULATIONS TO BE EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY TO PRESERVE PUBLIC SAFETY AND WELFARE WITHIN AND ADJACENT TO THE MUNICIPALITY. THE FOLLOWING EMERGENCY REGULATIONS HAVE THE POWER OF LAW, SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT FOR THE DURATION OF THIS EMERGENCY, AND SHALL SUPERSEDE ALL CONFLICTING LAWS DURING THE EXISTENCE OF THIS EMERGENCY.

1. The Municipality is authorized to request assistance from the State of Alaska for fire protection, law enforcement, and the provision of any other funds, services, functions, supplies or materials determined by the Mayor, in consultation with the Office of Emergency Management, to be necessary to meet public safety and welfare needs arising from or incidental to COVID-19 and to recover from the damages caused.
2. The Mayor may implement any orders necessary to prevent the transmission of infectious disease and to ensure that all cases of contagious disease are subject to proper control and treatment.
3. The requirements of Chapters 7.15 and 7.20 of the Anchorage Municipal Code (AMC) are hereby suspended for the duration of this emergency, except for the requirements set forth in AMC 7.20.090, for the acquisition of supplies, equipment, services, personnel, fuel or food as may be necessary to implement the Comprehensive Emergency Operations Plan or otherwise to preserve and protect the public safety, health and welfare from COVID-19 and from the effects thereof.
4. All resources of the municipal government, including municipal personnel, are hereby available as necessary to cope with this emergency. Municipal departments, agencies, or personnel may be transferred or altered in function for the purpose of performing or facilitating performance services responsive to this emergency.

DATED this 12 day of March, 2020.



Ethan Berkowitz, Mayor
Municipality of Anchorage, Alaska

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MAYOR'S CERTIFICATE OF DISSEMINATION AND POSTING PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY

An emergency proclamation was declared on March 12, 2020 at 2:30 p.m. pursuant to AMC 3.80.040. Pursuant to AMC 3.80.050, it was made available to the appropriate radio and television stations through a press conference from the Office of Emergency Management located at 1305 E Street, Anchorage, Alaska 99501. A copy of the proclamation was provided to the Anchorage Daily News. The proclamation has been posted to the Municipality's bulletin board electronically via the Clerk's online public notice system.

Dated this 12th day of March, 2020.



Ethan Berkowitz, Mayor