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MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY ORDER EO-10 PHASE THREE: MAINTENANCE

ISSUED BY THE MAYOR OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE PURSUANT TO ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 3.80.060H.

The COVID-19 pandemic has generated a public health emergency that threatens to overwhelm our health system, endangering the lives and wellbeing of the people of Anchorage. More than a month of hunkering down resulted in a flatter curve and prevented the exponential growth of cases. A phased reopening has allowed businesses to adapt to new hygiene needs and prevented a surge of new cases. In conjunction with the State we are ready to continue the process of getting Anchorage back to business, with significant precautions in place. This order is put forward to preserve the health and safety of our community while taking the next step to open the economy.

I HEREBY ORDER THE FOLLOWING EMERGENCY RESPONSE TO PRESERVE LIFE IN AND ADJACENT TO THE MUNICIPALITY. THE FOLLOWING EMERGENCY REGULATIONS BEGIN AT 8:00 A.M. ON MONDAY, MAY 25, 2020 AND REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL MODIFIED. THIS ORDER REPLACES EO-09.

- It is strongly recommended that everyone currently in the Municipality of Anchorage (the "Municipality") limit physical contact with those outside of their household and a small chosen group of other individuals. On the occasions when individuals leave home, they should maintain physical distancing of at least six feet from any person outside their household/small group whenever possible. Individuals are also strongly encouraged to practice recommended hygiene, including wearing a cloth face covering or mask whenever in public and regular hand washing.
- 2. It is strongly recommended, in accordance with CDC guidance, that certain individuals within the Municipality should continue to take great precaution. Anyone particularly at-risk from COVID-19 should reduce exposure by staying at home, not physically going to work, and not doing their own shopping if possible. People particularly at risk of complications from COVID-19 include those 60 years and older and individuals of any age with a serious underlying medical condition. Household members of those who are at elevated risk should implement these more stringent guidelines as well, to the extent possible.
- 3. Individuals likely to be contagious with COVID-19 are **required** to minimize contact with others as follows:
 - a. People who are exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 (including the following symptoms when not attributable to other known causes: coughing, shortness of breath, fever, fatigue, chills, muscle pain, sore throat, or new loss of taste or smell) shall stay home except to seek medical care. Businesses shall not knowingly permit symptomatic employees or others likely to be contagious with COVID-19 to work outside the home.

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- b. Individuals who have recently travelled outside Alaska are required to self-quarantine for fourteen days, in compliance with the State Health Mandate 10.1 as in effect on May 21, 2020. This requirement shall survive any subsequent changes to or suspensions of Health Mandate 10.
- c. Household members of those who are possibly contagious should exercise physical distancing and enhanced hygiene within the home, and refrain from leaving the home to the extent possible.
- 4. All businesses, services, and entities in the Municipality are eligible to operate if they can follow the health mandates that apply to phase three operations. Simplified operating criteria are available in Attachments to this document. The operating criteria are not mandatory for businesses previously defined as "critical" in EO-09, but critical businesses should continue to permit remote work where feasible, comply with physical distancing guidelines as much as possible, and strongly encourage employees to wear cloth face coverings or masks when around the public or in close proximity to other employees. Any business may require customers or clients to wear face coverings or masks.
- 5. All gatherings must follow six-foot physical distancing and proper hygiene protocols. Large events of over 500 people are not permitted without advanced permission from the Municipality.
- 6. Nothing in this order shall require the use of a mask or cloth face covering by anyone for whom doing so would be contrary to his or her health or safety because of a medical condition; anyone unable to tolerate a mask due to a disability; a child in a childcare setting; a child under the age of 2 years; or an older child if the parent, guardian, or person responsible for the child is unable to place the mask safely on the child's face. If a person declines to wear a mask or face covering because of a medical condition or disability as described above, such person shall not be required to produce medical documentation verifying the stated condition or disability. Businesses may wish to consider accommodating such individuals through curbside or delivery service or by making exceptions to their masking policies if doing so will not place others at risk.

DATED this 24th day of May, 2020.

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