



**REVISED PROCLAMATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY**

**WHEREAS**, the United States is experiencing an outbreak of Novel Coronavirus-2019 also known as COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization characterized the COVID-19 outbreak as a pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a National Emergency because of the COVID-19 pandemic and which declaration is still in effect today; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 15, 2020, the Governor of Oklahoma declared a State of Emergency because of the COVID-19 pandemic and which declaration is still in effect today; and

**WHEREAS**, the Center for Disease Control ("CDC") has emphasized the COVID-19 risk to individuals is dependent on exposure, and transmission is through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes; and

**WHEREAS**, there have been COVID-19 related deaths statewide with a large number in the Oklahoma City metropolitan area; and

**WHEREAS**, Oklahoma City-County Health Department ("OCCHD") states this is the worst public health crisis to face our city in the last half-century; and

**WHEREAS**, the CDC issued Interim Guidance for Mass Gatherings or Large Community Events which recommends putting into action strategies for prohibiting people from direct contact with one another and postponing or canceling large gatherings; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 6, 2020, President Trump declared COVID-19 as a major disaster in the State of Oklahoma; and

**WHEREAS**, upon the declarations of emergency by the President and the Governor of Oklahoma, the Emergency Price Stabilization Act was automatically applicable, which prohibits the sudden and often dramatic increase in the price of goods and/or services, including but not limited to rental prices of dwelling units in an amount of more than ten percent of the amount prior to the declaration; and

**WHEREAS**, Title 21, Section 1321.9 of the Oklahoma Statutes allows cities and towns to enact ordinances to issue a Proclamation of State of Emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 15-37 of the Oklahoma City Municipal Code provides that I, as the Mayor, after finding that a public disaster exists which affects life, health, property or the public peace, may proclaim a state of emergency in the area affected; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 15-37 requires the proclamation be in writing, signed, and filed with the City Clerk and public notice as practical is provided through the news media of the issuance of said proclamation; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 15-38 provides that during the existence of a state of emergency, by proclamation, the following may be prohibited: (1) any person being at any public place during the hours declared by the Mayor to be a period of curfew, (2) a designated number of persons from assembling or gathering on the public streets, parks or other areas either public or private, (6) the sale, purchase, or dispensing of alcoholic beverages, (7) the sale, purchase or dispensing of other commodities or goods, and (9) such other activities as Mayor reasonably believes should be prohibited to help preserve and maintain life, health, property or the public peace; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the urgency of the situation and the advice of our public health professionals, I have determined that an actual emergency exists that requires the use of measures to secure the safety and protection of public life and health; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the confirmation of local transmission of COVID-19 on March 15, 2020, on March 16, 2020, I issued a Proclamation of State of Emergency declaring a public disaster due to COVID-19 and suspending events on public property, revoking special event permits, and imposing distance requirements for public transit riders; and

**WHEREAS**, that Proclamation was revised on March 28, 2020, April 2, 2020, April 29, 2020, May 14, 2020, May 29, 2020, May 31, 2020, June 2, 2020, July 2, 2020, and November 19, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, recent OCCHD data indicated trends in the transmission of COVID-19 among individuals in close proximity at restaurants and bars, thus measures targeted at these locations were necessary to improve the City's response to this pandemic and preserve the health of the community; and

**WHEREAS**, with the transmission of COVID-19 and COVID-related hospitalizations and deaths continuing at an elevated level, provisions for the safety of the life, health, and property of Oklahoma City residents are still necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 16, 2020, the Governor issued the Executive Department Seventh Amended Executive Order 2020-20 requiring social distancing at bars and restaurants and requiring bars and restaurants to stop in person service from 11:00pm through 8:00am; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 19, 2020, I issued a Revised Proclamation incorporating those same restrictions at the local level, which means they can be enforced in Oklahoma City by the Oklahoma City Police Department and implored Oklahoma City residents to take extra precautions for the next 10 days in order to lessen the spread of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the powers and authority provided in Section 15-37 and 15-38 of the Oklahoma City Municipal Code, my previous Revised Proclamation should be revised to draw back such measures, and on November 30, 2020, a press release was issued providing notice of this tenth Revised Proclamation.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED**, as the Mayor of The City of Oklahoma City, the COVID-19 pandemic, and specifically the local community transmission of such disease, is and continues to be a public disaster which affects life, health, property and public peace within the limits of The City of Oklahoma City.

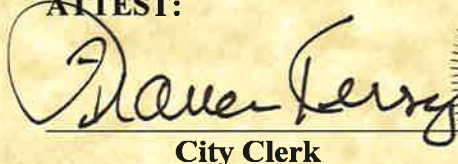
**AND I DO FURTHER PROCLAIM**, the following provisions are issued and immediately applicable within The City of Oklahoma City limits.:

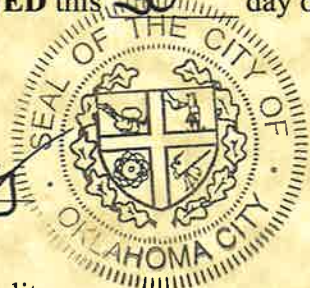
Every business should consult the OCCHD developed health guidelines for further best practices beyond those requirements listed here. That document is available at [www.occhd.org](http://www.occhd.org).

**AND I DO FURTHER PROCLAIM**, that public notice of this proclamation and state of emergency shall be given to and filed with the City Clerk of The City of Oklahoma City.

**ADOPTED and SIGNED** this 30<sup>th</sup> day of November 2020.

**ATTEST:**

  
City Clerk



  
MAYOR DAVID HOLT

**APPROVED** for form and legality.

  
Deputy Municipal Counselor