



OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY

Ordinance No. 4773 adopted March 30, 2020

and

Ordinance No. 4773 Dated March 31, 2020
Ordinance No. 4773 Dated April 02, 2020
Ordinance No. 4773 Dated April 03, 2020
Ordinance No. 4773 Dated April 06, 2020
Ordinance No. 4773 Dated April 07, 2020
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Ordinance No. 4773 Dated May 18, 2020

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Ordinance No. 4773 Expired on May 18, 2020

See Ordinance No. 4781
for the Continuation of Mesquite's Local State of Disaster for Public Health Emergency related to COVID-19.

**LOG OF ADDITIONS TO EXHIBITS TO ORDINANCE NO. 4773
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DATE	ISSUER	DESCRIPTION	EXHIBIT
May 18, 2020	Texas Governor Abbott	<u>Executive Order GA-23</u>	Amendment No. 5 to EXHIBIT F
May 15, 2020	Dallas County Judge Jenkins	<u>Supplemental Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins on Requirements for Food Processing Plants After Expiration of Stay Home, Stay Safe dated May 15, 2020</u>	Amendment No. 11 to EXHIBIT B
May 15, 2020	Dallas County Judge Jenkins	<u>Amended Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins Regarding Long-Term Care Facilities dated May 15, 2020</u>	Amendment No. 11 to EXHIBIT B
May 14, 2020	Dallas County Judge Jenkins	<u>Supplemental Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins on Continuing Requirements after Expiration of Stay Home, Stay Safe dated May 14, 2020</u>	Amendment No. 11 to EXHIBIT B
May 08, 2020	Dallas County Judge Jenkins	<u>Dallas Co. Amended Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins regarding Long-term Care Facilities dated May 8, 2020.</u>	Amendment No. 10 to EXHIBIT B
May 08, 2020	Dallas County Judge Jenkins	<u>SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS on Reopened Services and Food Processing Plants dated May 8, 2020.</u>	Amendment No. 10 to EXHIBIT B
May 07, 2020	Texas Governor Abbott	<u>Executive Order GA-22</u>	Amendment No. 4 to EXHIBIT F
May 05, 2020	Texas Governor Abbott	<u>Executive Order GA-21</u>	Amendment No. 4 to EXHIBIT F
May 04, 2020	Dallas County Judge Jenkins	<u>SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS on Reopened Services and Food Processing Plants dated May 4, 2020</u>	Amendment No. 9 to EXHIBIT B
April 28, 2020	Kaufman County Commissioner's Court	Amended Kaufman Co. Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency; Court Order #042820-4; dated April 28, 2020. (Extending the Kaufman County Declaration of Local Disaster until June 12, 2020.)	Amendment No. 2 to EXHIBIT C

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April 27, 2020	Texas Governor Abbott	Executive Order GA-18 Executive Order GA-19 Executive Order GA-20	Amendment No. 3 to EXHIBIT F
April 27, 2020	Texas Attorney General Paxton and Texas Governor Abbott	Guidance for Houses of Worship During the COVID-19 Crisis revised on April 27, 2020. (Official guidance regarding the effect of Executive Order GA-18.)	Amendment No. 3 to EXHIBIT F
April 23, 2020	Dallas County Judge Jenkins	Dallas Co. Amended Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins (Safer at Home) dated April 23, 2020.	Amendment No. 8 to EXHIBIT B
April 23, 2020	Dallas County Judge Jenkins	Dallas Co. Stay Home Stay Safe Rules for Reopened Services issued April 23, 2020.	Amendment No. 8 to EXHIBIT B
April 23, 2020	Texas Attorney General Paxton and Texas Governor Abbott	Guidance for Houses of Worship During the COVID-19 Crisis revised on April 21, 2020. (Official guidance regarding the effect of Executive Order GA-16.)	Amendment No. 2 to EXHIBIT F
April 18, 2020	Dallas County Judge Jenkins	Dallas Co. Amended Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins (Safer at Home) dated April 18, 2020.	Amendment No. 7 to EXHIBIT B
April 17, 2020	Texas Attorney General Paxton and Texas Governor Abbott	Guidance for Houses of Worship During the COVID-19 Crisis. (Official guidance regarding the effect of Executive Order GA 14 and as continued in Executive Order GA-16.)	Amendment No. 1 to EXHIBIT F
April 17, 2020	Texas Governor Abbott	Executive Order GA-16	Amendment No. 1 to EXHIBIT F
April 16, 2020	Dallas County Judge Jenkins	Dallas Co. Frequently Asked Questions: Cloth Face Coverings issued April 16, 2020.	Amendment No. 6 to EXHIBIT B
April 16, 2020	Dallas County Judge Jenkins	Dallas Co. Amended Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins (Safer at Home) dated April 16, 2020.	Amendment No. 6 to EXHIBIT B

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April 08, 2020	Dallas County Judge Jenkins	Dallas Co. Amended Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins (Safer at Home) dated April 8, 2020.	Amendment No. 5 to EXHIBIT B
April 07, 2020	Kaufman County Commissioner's Court	Amended Kaufman Co. Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency; Court Order #040720-7; dated April 7, 2020. (Extending the Kaufman County Declaration of Local Disaster until April 30, 2020.)	Amendment No. 1 to EXHIBIT C
April 06, 2020	Dallas County Judge Jenkins	Dallas Co. Amended Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins (Safer at Home) dated April 6, 2020.	Amendment No. 4 to EXHIBIT B
April 03, 2020	Dallas County Judge Jenkins	Dallas Co. Amended Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins (Safer at Home) dated April 3, 2020. (Extending the Dallas County Safer at Home Order, that is the Shelter-in-Place, until April 30, 2020.)	Amendment No. 3 to EXHIBIT B
April 03, 2020	Dallas County Judge Jenkins and the Commissioners of Dallas County	Dallas Co. Order of Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency dated April 3, 2020. (Extending the Dallas County Declaration of Local Disaster until May 20, 2020.)	New EXHIBIT G
April 02, 2020	Dallas County Judge Jenkins	Dallas Co. Stay Home Stay Safe Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors. (Guidance regarding Dallas Co. April 2, 2020 Order.)	Amendment No. 2 to EXHIBIT B
April 02, 2020	Dallas County Judge Jenkins	Dallas Co. Safer at Home Order April 2, 2020 Order: Summary of Changes.	Amendment No. 2 to EXHIBIT B
April 02, 2020	Dallas County Judge Jenkins	Dallas Co. Amended Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins (Safer at Home) dated April 2, 2020.	Amendment No. 2 to EXHIBIT B

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DATE	ISSUER	DESCRIPTION	EXHIBIT
March 31, 2020	Dallas County Judge Jenkins	Dallas Co. Stay Home Stay Safe Rules for the Construction Industry Frequently Asked Questions.	Amendment No. 1 to EXHIBIT B
March 31, 2020	Dallas County Judge Jenkins	Dallas Co. Amended Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins (Stay Home Stay Safe) dated March 31, 2020.	Amendment No. 1 to EXHIBIT B
March 31, 2020	Texas Attorney General Paxton and Texas Governor Abbott	Guidance for Houses of Worship During the COVID-19 Crisis. (Official guidance regarding the effect of Executive Order GA 14.)	New EXHIBIT F
March 31, 2020	Texas Governor Abbott	Executive Order GA-14	New EXHIBIT F



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Ordinance No. 4773 adopted March 30, 2020

Including updates made to Exhibits on the following dates:

Ordinance No. 4773 Dated	May 18, 2020
Ordinance No. 4773 Dated	May 08, 2020
Ordinance No. 4773 Dated	May 07, 2020
Ordinance No. 4773 Dated	May 04, 2020
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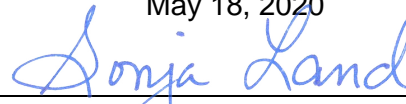
Ordinance No. 4773 Expired on May 18, 2020

See Ordinance No. 4781
for the Continuation of Mesquite's Local State of Disaster for Public Health Emergency related to COVID-19.



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May 18, 2020


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Ordinance No. 4773

Dated May 18, 2020

Summary of Ordinance No. 4773 dated May 18, 2020:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 11 to EXHIBIT B
Adding AMENDMENT No. 5 to EXHIBIT F

Explanation of Additional Documents:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 10 to EXHIBIT B:

Section 9.3.1 of Ordinance No. 4773 mandates Mesquite residents to Shelter-in-Place (Stay-At-Home) in accordance with Dallas County AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS STAY-HOME-STAY-SAFE DATED MARCH 29, 2020, incorporated into Ordinance No. 4773 as EXHIBIT B.

Section 9.3.1 also states in the event Dallas County revises, updates, rescinds, supersedes, or amends its current Orders in effect, then Mesquite residents, residing in Dallas County, are directed to read and comply with the most recent and/or valid Dallas County orders, and any such updated orders are adopted herein by reference.

New orders have been issued:

- SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS on Continuing Requirements after Expiration of Stay Home, Stay Safe DATED MAY 14, 2020.
- AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS Regarding Long-Term Care Facilities DATED MAY 15, 2020.
- SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS on Requirements for Food Processing Plants After Expiration of Stay Home, Stay Safe DATED MAY 15, 2020.

The existing EXHIBIT B to Ordinance No. 4773 should be updated to reflect the current Orders, as authorized by Section 9.3.1 (described herein).

Adding AMENDMENT No. 5 to EXHIBIT F:

- Executive Order GA-23 on the expanded opening of Texas in response to the COVID-19 disaster.

Therefore, Ordinance No. 4773 dated May 18, 2020 incorporates AMENDMENT No. 11 to EXHIBIT B and AMENDMENT No. 5 to EXHIBIT F.



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May 8, 2020

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Sonja Land, City Secretary

OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY

Ordinance No. 4773

Dated May 8, 2020

Summary of Ordinance No. 4773 dated May 8, 2020:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 10 to EXHIBIT B

Explanation of Additional Documents:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 10 to EXHIBIT B:

Section 9.3.1 of Ordinance No. 4773 mandates Mesquite residents to Shelter-in-Place (Stay-At-Home) in accordance with Dallas County AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS STAY-HOME-STAY-SAFE DATED MARCH 29, 2020, incorporated into Ordinance No. 4773 as EXHIBIT B.

Section 9.3.1 also states in the event Dallas County revises, updates, rescinds, supersedes, or amends its current Orders in effect, then Mesquite residents, residing in Dallas County, are directed to read and comply with the most recent and/or valid Dallas County orders, and any such updated orders are adopted herein by reference.

A new supplemental order has been issued, SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS on Reopened Services and Food Processing Plants DATED MAY 8, 2020 in connection with AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS SAFER-AT-HOME ORDER DATED APRIL 23, 2020.

A new amended order has been issued, DALLAS CO. AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS regarding Long-term Care Facilities dated May 8, 2020.

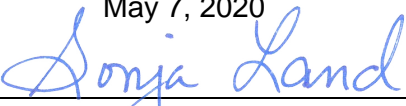
The existing EXHIBIT B to Ordinance No. 4773 should be updated to reflect the current Orders, as authorized by Section 9.3.1 (described herein).

Therefore, Ordinance No. 4773 dated May 8, 2020 incorporates AMENDMENT No. 10 to EXHIBIT B.



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May 7, 2020


Sonja Land, City Secretary

OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY

Ordinance No. 4773

Dated May 7, 2020

Summary of Ordinance No. 4773 dated May 7, 2020:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 4 to EXHIBIT F

Explanation of Additional Documents:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 4 to EXHIBIT F:

Pursuant to **Section 15.3** of Ordinance No. 4773, Amendment No. 4 to EXHIBIT F adds the following:

- Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-22 (Superseding on Confinement)
- Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-21 (Superseding GA-18)
- Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-20 (Superseding GA-11 and GA-12)
- Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-19 (Superseding GA-15)
- Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-17
- Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-13
- Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-10
- Proclamation – Declaring State of Disaster

Therefore, Ordinance No. 4773 dated May 7, 2020 incorporates Amendment No. 4 to EXHIBIT F.



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May 4, 2020

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Ordinance No. 4773

Dated May 4, 2020

Summary of Ordinance No. 4773 dated May 4, 2020:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 9 to EXHIBIT B

Explanation of Additional Documents:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 9 to EXHIBIT B:

Section 9.3.1 of Ordinance No. 4773 mandates Mesquite residents to Shelter-in-Place (Stay-At-Home) in accordance with Dallas County AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS STAY-HOME-STAY-SAFE DATED MARCH 29, 2020, incorporated into Ordinance No. 4773 as EXHIBIT B.

Section 9.3.1 also states in the event Dallas County revises, updates, rescinds, supersedes, or amends its current Orders in effect, then Mesquite residents, residing in Dallas County, are directed to read and comply with the most recent and/or valid Dallas County orders, and any such updated orders are adopted herein by reference.

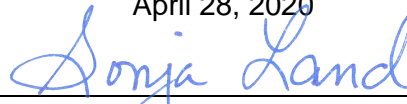
A new amended order has been issued, AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS SAFER-AT-HOME ORDER DATED APRIL 23, 2020 in connection with SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS on Reopened Services and Food Processing Plants DATED MAY 4, 2020. The existing EXHIBIT B to Ordinance No. 4773 should be updated to reflect the current Order, as authorized by Section 9.3.1 (described herein).

Therefore, Ordinance No. 4773 dated May 4, 2020 incorporates AMENDMENT No. 9 to EXHIBIT B.



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April 28, 2020


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Ordinance No. 4773 Dated April 28, 2020

Summary of Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 28, 2020:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 2 to EXHIBIT C

Explanation of Additional Documents:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 2 to EXHIBIT C:

Section 9.3.2 of Ordinance No. 4773 mandates Mesquite residents, residing in Kaufman County, to Shelter-in-Place (Stay-At-Home) in accordance with SHELTER-IN-PLACE ORDER OF THE COUNTY JUDGE OF KAUFMAN COUNTY, TEXAS, DATED MARCH 24, 2020, incorporated into Ordinance No. 4773 as EXHIBIT C.

Section 9.3.2 also states in the event Kaufman County revises, updates, rescinds, supersedes, or amends its current Orders in effect, then Mesquite residents, residing in Kaufman County, are directed to read and comply with the most recent and/or valid Kaufman County orders, and any such updated orders are adopted herein by reference.

A new amended order has been issued, AMENDED DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY DATED APRIL 28, 2020. The existing EXHIBIT C to Ordinance No. 4773 should be updated to reflect the current Order, as authorized by Section 9.3.2 (described herein).

Therefore, Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 28, 2020 incorporates AMENDMENT No. 2 to EXHIBIT C.



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April 27, 2020

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Sonja Land, City Secretary

OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY

Ordinance No. 4773

Dated April 27, 2020

Summary of Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 27, 2020:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 3 to EXHIBIT F

Explanation of Additional Documents:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 3 to EXHIBIT F:

Pursuant to **Section 15.3** of Ordinance No. 4773, Amendment No. 3 to EXHIBIT F adds the following:

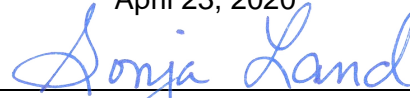
- Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-18 (GA-18 replaces GA-16)
- Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-19 (GA-19 replaces GA-15)
- Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-20 (GA-20 replaces GA-11 and GA-12)
- THIRD revised Joint Guidance for Houses of Worship During the COVID-19 Crisis (Official guidance regarding the effect of Executive Order GA-18)(dated April 27, 2020).

Therefore, Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 27, 2020 incorporates Amendment No. 3 to EXHIBIT F.



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April 23, 2020


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Ordinance No. 4773 Dated April 23, 2020

Summary of Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 23, 2020:

- (1) Adding AMENDMENT No. 8 to EXHIBIT B
- and
- (2) Adding AMENDMENT No. 2 to EXHIBIT F

Explanation of Additional Documents:

(1) Adding AMENDMENT No. 8 to EXHIBIT B:

Section 9.3.1 of Ordinance No. 4773 mandates Mesquite residents to Shelter-in-Place (Stay-At-Home) in accordance with Dallas County AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS STAY-HOME-STAY-SAFE DATED MARCH 29, 2020, incorporated into Ordinance No. 4773 as EXHIBIT B.

Section 9.3.1 also states in the event Dallas County revises, updates, rescinds, supersedes, or amends its current Orders in effect, then Mesquite residents, residing in Dallas County, are directed to read and comply with the most recent and/or valid Dallas County orders, and any such updated orders are adopted herein by reference.

A new amended order has been issued, AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS SAFER-AT-HOME ORDER DATED APRIL 23, 2020. The existing EXHIBIT B to Ordinance No. 4773 should be updated to reflect the current Order, as authorized by Section 9.3.1 (described herein).

Therefore, Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 23, 2020 incorporates AMENDMENT No. 8 to EXHIBIT B.

(2) Adding AMENDMENT No. 2 to EXHIBIT F:

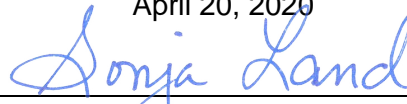
Pursuant to **Section 15.3** of Ordinance No. 4773, Amendment No. 2 to EXHIBIT F adds the revised (April 21, 2020) Joint Guidance for Houses of Worship During the COVID-19 Crisis (Official guidance regarding the effect of Executive Order GA-16).

Therefore, Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 23, 2020 incorporates Amendment No. 2 to EXHIBIT F.



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April 20, 2020


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Ordinance No. 4773 Dated April 18, 2020

Summary of Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 18, 2020:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 7 to EXHIBIT B

Explanation of Additional Documents:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 7 to EXHIBIT B:

Section 9.3.1 of Ordinance No. 4773 mandates Mesquite residents to Shelter-in-Place (Stay-At-Home) in accordance with Dallas County AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS STAY-HOME-STAY-SAFE DATED MARCH 29, 2020, incorporated into Ordinance No. 4773 as EXHIBIT B.

Section 9.3.1 also states in the event Dallas County revises, updates, rescinds, supersedes, or amends its current Orders in effect, then Mesquite residents, residing in Dallas County, are directed to read and comply with the most recent and/or valid Dallas County orders, and any such updated orders are adopted herein by reference.

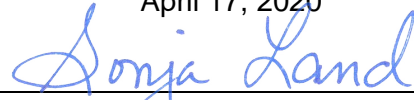
A new amended order has been issued, AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS SAFER-AT-HOME ORDER DATED APRIL 18, 2020. The existing EXHIBIT B to Ordinance No. 4773 should be updated to reflect the current Order, as authorized by Section 9.3.1 (described herein).

Therefore, Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 18, 2020 incorporates AMENDMENT No. 7 to EXHIBIT B.



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April 17, 2020



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Ordinance No. 4773

Dated April 17, 2020

Summary of Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 17, 2020:

(1) Adding AMENDMENT No. 1 to EXHIBIT F

Explanation of Additional Documents:

(1) Adding AMENDMENT No. 1 to EXHIBIT F:

Pursuant to **Section 15.3** of Ordinance No. 4773, Amendment No. 1 to EXHIBIT F adds Texas Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-16 (GA-16 replaces GA-14) and the Guidance for Houses of Worship During the COVID-19 Crisis (Official guidance regarding the effect of Executive Order GA-14 and as continued in Executive Order GA-16).

Therefore, Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 17, 2020 incorporates Amendment No. 1 to EXHIBIT F.



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April 16, 2020

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Ordinance No. 4773

Dated April 16, 2020

Summary of Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 16, 2020:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 6 to EXHIBIT B

Explanation of Additional Documents:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 6 to EXHIBIT B:

Section 9.3.1 of Ordinance No. 4773 mandates Mesquite residents to Shelter-in-Place (Stay-At-Home) in accordance with Dallas County AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS STAY-HOME-STAY-SAFE DATED MARCH 29, 2020, incorporated into Ordinance No. 4773 as EXHIBIT B.

Section 9.3.1 also states in the event Dallas County revises, updates, rescinds, supersedes, or amends its current Orders in effect, then Mesquite residents, residing in Dallas County, are directed to read and comply with the most recent and/or valid Dallas County orders, and any such updated orders are adopted herein by reference.

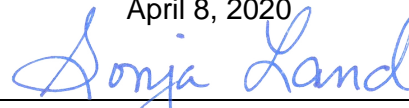
A new amended order has been issued, AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS SAFER-AT-HOME ORDER DATED APRIL 16, 2020. The existing EXHIBIT B to Ordinance No. 4773 should be updated to reflect the current Order, as authorized by Section 9.3.1 (described herein).

Therefore, Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 16, 2020 incorporates AMENDMENT No. 6 to EXHIBIT B.



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April 8, 2020


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Ordinance No. 4773

Dated April 8, 2020

Summary of Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 8, 2020:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 5 to EXHIBIT B

Explanation of Additional Documents:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 5 to EXHIBIT B:

Section 9.3.1 of Ordinance No. 4773 mandates Mesquite residents to Shelter-in-Place (Stay-At-Home) in accordance with Dallas County AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS STAY-HOME-STAY-SAFE DATED MARCH 29, 2020, incorporated into Ordinance No. 4773 as EXHIBIT B.

Section 9.3.1 also states in the event Dallas County revises, updates, rescinds, supersedes, or amends its current Orders in effect, then Mesquite residents, residing in Dallas County, are directed to read and comply with the most recent and/or valid Dallas County orders, and any such updated orders are adopted herein by reference.

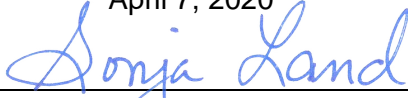
A new amended order has been issued, AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS SAFER-AT-HOME ORDER DATED APRIL 8, 2020. The existing EXHIBIT B to Ordinance No. 4773 should be updated to reflect the current Order, as authorized by Section 9.3.1 (described herein).

Therefore, Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 8, 2020 incorporates AMENDMENT No. 5 to EXHIBIT B.



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Ordinance No. 4773

Dated April 7, 2020

Summary of Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 7, 2020:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 1 to EXHIBIT C

Explanation of Additional Documents:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 1 to EXHIBIT C:

Section 9.3.2 of Ordinance No. 4773 mandates Mesquite residents, residing in Kaufman County, to Shelter-in-Place (Stay-At-Home) in accordance with SHELTER-IN-PLACE ORDER OF THE COUNTY JUDGE OF KAUFMAN COUNTY, TEXAS, DATED MARCH 24, 2020, incorporated into Ordinance No. 4773 as EXHIBIT C.

Section 9.3.2 also states in the event Kaufman County revises, updates, rescinds, supersedes, or amends its current Orders in effect, then Mesquite residents, residing in Kaufman County, are directed to read and comply with the most recent and/or valid Kaufman County orders, and any such updated orders are adopted herein by reference.

A new amended order has been issued, AMENDED DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY DATED APRIL 7, 2020. The existing EXHIBIT C to Ordinance No. 4773 should be updated to reflect the current Order, as authorized by Section 9.3.2 (described herein).

Therefore, Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 7, 2020 incorporates AMENDMENT No. 1 to EXHIBIT C.



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Ordinance No. 4773

Dated April 6, 2020

Summary of Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 6, 2020:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 4 to EXHIBIT B

Explanation of Additional Documents:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 4 to EXHIBIT B:

Section 9.3.1 of Ordinance No. 4773 mandates Mesquite residents to Shelter-in-Place (Stay-At-Home) in accordance with Dallas County AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS STAY-HOME-STAY-SAFE DATED MARCH 29, 2020, incorporated into Ordinance No. 4773 as EXHIBIT B.

Section 9.3.1 also states in the event Dallas County revises, updates, rescinds, supersedes, or amends its current Orders in effect, then Mesquite residents, residing in Dallas County, are directed to read and comply with the most recent and/or valid Dallas County orders, and any such updated orders are adopted herein by reference.

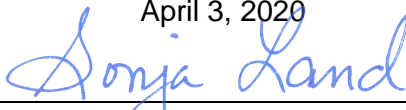
A new amended order has been issued, AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS SAFER-AT-HOME DATED APRIL 6, 2020. The existing EXHIBIT B to Ordinance No. 4773 should be updated to reflect the current Order, as authorized by Section 9.3.1 (described herein).

Therefore, Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 6, 2020 incorporates AMENDMENT No. 4 to EXHIBIT B.



FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE
CITY SECRETARY

April 3, 2020


Sonja Land, City Secretary

OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY

Ordinance No. 4773 Dated April 3, 2020

Summary of Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 3, 2020:

(1) Adding AMENDMENT No. 3 to EXHIBIT B

(2) Adding EXHIBIT G

Explanation of Additional Documents:

(1) Adding AMENDMENT No. 3 to EXHIBIT B:

Section 9.3.1 of Ordinance No. 4773 mandates Mesquite residents to Shelter-in-Place (Stay-At-Home) in accordance with Dallas County AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS STAY-HOME-STAY-SAFE DATED MARCH 29, 2020, incorporated into Ordinance No. 4773 as EXHIBIT B.

Section 9.3.1 also states in the event Dallas County revises, updates, rescinds, supersedes, or amends its current Orders in effect, then Mesquite residents, residing in Dallas County, are directed to read and comply with the most recent and/or valid Dallas County orders, and any such updated orders are adopted herein by reference.

A new amended order has been issued, AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS SAFER-AT-HOME DATED APRIL 3, 2020. The existing EXHIBIT B to Ordinance No. 4773 should be updated to reflect the current Order, as authorized by Section 9.3.1 (described herein).

Therefore, Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 3, 2020 incorporates AMENDMENT No. 3 to EXHIBIT B.

(2) Adding EXHIBIT G:

Pursuant to **Section 15.3** of Ordinance No. 4773, EXHIBIT G adds Order of Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency dated April 3, 2020 (extending the Declaration of Local Disaster for Dallas County until May 20, 2020).

Therefore, Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 3, 2020 incorporates new EXHIBIT G.



FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE
CITY SECRETARY

April 2, 2020

Sonja Land

Sonja Land, City Secretary

OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY

Ordinance No. 4773

Dated April 2, 2020

Summary of Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 2, 2020:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 2 to EXHIBIT B

Explanation of Additional Documents:

Adding AMENDMENT No. 2 to EXHIBIT B:

Section 9.3.1 of Ordinance No. 4773 mandates Mesquite residents to Shelter-in-Place (Stay-At-Home) in accordance with Dallas County AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS STAY-HOME-STAY-SAFE DATED MARCH 29, 2020, incorporated into Ordinance No. 4773 as EXHIBIT B.

Section 9.3.1 also states in the event Dallas County revises, updates, rescinds, supersedes, or amends its current Orders in effect, then Mesquite residents, residing in Dallas County, are directed to read and comply with the most recent and/or valid Dallas County orders, and any such updated orders are adopted herein by reference.

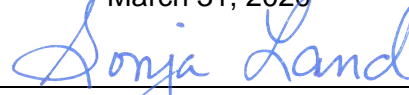
A new amended order has been issued, AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS SAFER-AT-HOME DATED APRIL 2, 2020. The current EXHIBIT B to Ordinance No. 4773 should be updated to reflect the current Order, as authorized by Section 9.3.1 (described herein).

Therefore, Ordinance No. 4773 dated April 2, 2020 incorporates AMENDMENT No. 2 to EXHIBIT B.



FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE
CITY SECRETARY

March 31, 2020


Sonja Land, City Secretary

OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY

Ordinance No. 4773 Dated March 31, 2020

Summary of Ordinance No. 4773 dated March 31, 2020:

(1) Adding AMENDMENT No. 1 to EXHIBIT B

(2) Adding EXHIBIT F

Explanation of Additional Documents:

(1) **Adding AMENDMENT No. 1 to EXHIBIT B:**

Section 9.3.1 of Ordinance No. 4773 mandates Mesquite residents to Shelter-in-Place (Stay-At-Home) in accordance with Dallas County AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS STAY-HOME-STAY-SAFE DATED MARCH 29, 2020, incorporated into Ordinance No. 4773 as EXHIBIT B.

Section 9.3.1 also states in the event Dallas County revises, updates, rescinds, supersedes, or amends its current Orders in effect, then Mesquite residents, residing in Dallas County, are directed to read and comply with the most recent and/or valid Dallas County orders, and any such updated orders are adopted herein by reference.

A new amended order has been issued, AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS STAY-HOME-STAY-SAFE DATED MARCH 31, 2020. The current EXHIBIT B to Ordinance No. 4773 should be updated to reflect the current Order, as authorized by Section 9.3.1 (described herein).

Therefore, Ordinance No. 4773 dated March 31, 2020 incorporates AMENDMENT No. 1 to EXHIBIT B.

(2) **Adding EXHIBIT F:**

Pursuant to **Section 15.3** of Ordinance No. 4773, EXHIBIT F adds Texas Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-14 and the Guidance for Houses of Worship During the COVID-19 Crisis (Official guidance regarding the effect of Executive Order GA-14).

Therefore, Ordinance No. 4773 dated March 31, 2020 incorporates new EXHIBIT F.

ORDINANCE NO. 4773
EMERGENCY MEASURE ORDINANCE

AN EMERGENCY MEASURE ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZED PURSUANT TO MESQUITE CITY CHARTER, ARTICLE IV, SECTION 18 AND SECTION 19; DECLARING A LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY RELATED TO COVID-19; CONTINUING THE MAYOR'S DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER ISSUED ON MARCH 23, 2020; CONFIRMING THE ACTIVATION OF THE CITY'S EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANS; ADOPTING AND APPROVING CERTAIN RULES AND ORDERS TO PROTECT THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF PERSONS IN THE CITY AND TO HELP ABATE THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO MAKE CERTAIN DECISIONS AND TO TAKE NECESSARY ACTIONS TO MEET CITY OBJECTIVES TO HAVE CITY GOVERNMENT REMAIN FUNCTIONAL WHILE PROVIDING ESSENTIAL GOVERNMENTAL SERVICES DURING THIS RAPIDLY CHANGING ENVIRONMENT CREATED BY THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY; MAKING VARIOUS FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; MAKING IT AN OFFENSE TO FAIL TO COMPLY WITH A STATE, LOCAL, OR INTERJURISDICTIONAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN OR ANY RULE, ORDER, OR ORDINANCE ADOPTED UNDER THE PLAN AND PROVIDING A PENALTY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000.00) FOR EACH OFFENSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; PROVIDING A CONFLICTS RESOLUTION CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND DECLARING AN EXPIRATION DATE.

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas ("**City Council**"), to protect the public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, beginning in or about December 2019, a novel coronavirus, now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19, has spread throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 has been recognized globally as a contagious respiratory virus and symptoms include fever, coughing and shortness of breath and, in some cases, has caused death; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("**CDC**") has advised that person-to-person contact heightens the risk of COVID-19 transmission; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a worldwide pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued a [Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency](#) and [ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS dated March 12, 2020](#); and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, President Donald J. Trump issued a [Proclamation on Declaring a National Emergency Concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease \(COVID-19\) Outbreak](#) [[Proclamation No. 9994, 85 F.R. 15337 \(March 13, 2020\)](#)]; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, Texas Governor Greg Abbott issued a [Proclamation](#) certifying that COVID-19 poses an imminent threat of disaster in the state of Texas and declaring a state of disaster for all counties in Texas; and

WHEREAS, the [President's Coronavirus Guidelines for America](#), as promulgated by President Donald J. Trump and the CDC on March 16, 2020, call upon Americans for the next 15-Days to slow the spread of COVID-19 by avoiding social gatherings in groups of more than 10 people, using drive-thru, pick-up, or delivery options at restaurants and bars, and avoiding visitation at nursing homes, among other steps; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2020, Kaufman County Judge Hal Richards issued a [Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency](#); and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services has now determined that, as of March 19, 2020, COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of [Chapter 81](#) of the Texas Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, Texas Governor Greg Abbott issued [Executive Order GA 08](#), relating to COVID-19 preparedness and mitigation; mandating the avoidance of social gatherings in groups of more than 10 people, the avoidance of eating or drinking at bars, restaurants, and food courts, or visiting gyms or massage parlors, the avoidance of visiting nursing homes or retirement or long-term care facilities unless to provide critical assistance, and closing schools throughout the State of Texas for a period of time; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Dallas County Commissioners Court issued an Order of Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Dallas County Emergency Management Plan and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster until 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020, unless rescinded by order of the Commissioners Court; and

WHEREAS, on March 22, 2020, Texas Governor Greg Abbott issued [Executive Order GA 09](#), relating to expanding hospital bed capacity during the COVID-19 disaster, and other related actions; and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2020, the Mayor of the City of Mesquite issued a Declaration of Local State of Disaster For Public Health Emergency relating to COVID-19 for the City of Mesquite, Texas, in accordance with the [Texas Disaster Act of 1975, Texas Government Code, Chapter 418](#); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor's Declaration of Local State of Disaster For Public Health Emergency relating to COVID-19 and this Ordinance requires that certain emergency protective measures be taken pursuant to the [Texas Disaster Act of 1975](#) relating to emergency management and public health, pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 418; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, Texas Governor Greg Abbott issued [Executive Order GA 10](#), relating to daily reporting by hospitals to the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) of hospital bed capacity during the COVID-19 disaster; DSHS shall promptly share this information with the CDC; and other related actions; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the Kaufman County Commissioners Court issued an Order Extending the Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Kaufman County Emergency Management Plan and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster until April 23, 2020, unless rescinded by order of the Commissioners Court; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, Kaufman County Judge Hal Richards issued a [SHELTER-IN-PLACE ORDER OF THE COUNTY JUDGE OF KAUFMAN COUNTY, TEXAS, dated March 24, 2020](#), that includes a mandatory Shelter-in-Place (Stay-At-Home) directive (continuing until April 8, 2020) with only *essential activities, essential governmental functions* and *essential businesses* being excepted; and

WHEREAS, on March 26, 2020, Texas Governor Greg Abbott issued [Executive Order GA 11](#), relating to airport screening and self-quarantine during the COVID-19 disaster; **MANDATING A SELF-QUARANTINE OF 14-DAYS** for individuals traveling to Texas as their final destination through an **AIRPORT** from the Tri-State Area of New York, New Jersey, or Connecticut as well as the City of New Orleans, Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2020, pursuant to City Council Rules of Procedure, Section 3.2, Mayor Bruce Archer called for a special called meeting for the purpose of the City Council to discuss and consider this emergency measure ordinance as authorized by Mesquite City Charter, Article IV, [Section 18](#) and [Section 19](#); and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2020, the President held a press conference and stated the President's Coronavirus Guidelines for America, as promulgated by President Donald J. Trump and the CDC on March 16, 2020, originally calling upon Americans to slow the spread of COVID-19, by avoiding social gatherings in groups of more than 10 people, using drive-thru, pick-up, or delivery options at restaurants and bars, and avoiding visitation at nursing homes, among other steps **will now be EXTENDED until APRIL 30, 2020**; and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2020, Texas Governor Greg Abbott issued [Executive Order GA 12](#), relating to **ROADWAY SCREENING** and self-quarantine during the COVID-19 disaster; **MANDATING A SELF-QUARANTINE OF 14-DAYS** for individuals who enter the State of Texas through **ROADWAYS** from the State of Louisiana, or from any other state as may be proclaimed by the Texas Governor hereafter; and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2020, Texas Governor Greg Abbott issued a [Proclamation updating Executive Order GA 11](#), relating to adding states and cities to the **AIRPORT SCREENING** and self-quarantine during the COVID-19 disaster; therefore, Executive Order GA

11 and the Proclamation together **MANDATE A SELF-QUARANTINE OF 14-DAYS** for individuals traveling to Texas as their final destination through an **AIRPORT** from the Tri-State Area of New York, New Jersey, or Connecticut; as well as the City of New Orleans, Louisiana; and adding the State of California; the State of Louisiana; the State of Washington; the City of Atlanta, Georgia; the City of Chicago, Illinois; the City of Detroit, Michigan; and City of Miami, Florida; and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2020, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued an [AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS Stay-Home-Stay-Safe dated March 29, 2020](#), amending the March 12, 2020 ORDER, mandating a Shelter-in-Place (Stay-At-Home) directive (continuing until April 3, 2020) with only *essential activities, essential governmental functions* and *essential businesses* being excepted; and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2020, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued a document titled [March 29 North Texas Order: Summary of Changes](#); and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2020, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued a document titled [Stay Home Stay Safe Rules for the Construction Industry](#) thereby providing guidance for persons and business associated with the building and construction industries and trades on the meaning and application of the Amended Order issued by Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins on March 29, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2020, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued an [ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS regarding Long-term Care Facilities dated March 29, 2020](#); and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 continues to spread and pose an increasing, imminent threat of disaster throughout Texas; and

WHEREAS, extraordinary measures must be taken to contain COVID-19 and prevent its spread throughout the State of Texas, Dallas and Kaufman Counties, and the City of Mesquite; and

WHEREAS, the continued worldwide and local spread of COVID-19 presents an imminent threat of widespread illness, requiring emergency action; and

WHEREAS, unless the actions as hereby provided are immediately initiated, avoidable serious illness and deaths could occur; and

WHEREAS, the City will work collaboratively with its bordering cities, Dallas and Kaufman Counties, and the state of Texas to ensure that all appropriate and necessary measures are taken to limit the development, contraction and spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the conditions necessitating the Mayor's Declaration of Local State of Disaster for Public Health Emergency relating to COVID-19 continue to exist and are anticipated to continue to exist for the foreseeable future; and

WHEREAS, [Section 418.108](#)(b) of the Texas Government Code provides that a local state of disaster may not be continued for a period in excess of seven (7) days without the consent of the governing body of the political subdivision; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the duration of the Mayor's Declaration of Local State of Disaster for Public Health Emergency relating to COVID-19 should be extended to help abate the public health threat; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is in the best interest of the residents of Mesquite to continue the Mayor's Declaration of Local State of Disaster for Public Health Emergency relating to COVID-19 in accordance with [Section 418.108](#)(b) of the Texas Government Code and [Section 122.006](#) of the Texas Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mesquite, Texas, is a home-rule municipality acting under its Charter adopted, and amended, by the electorate pursuant to the Texas Constitution, Article 11, [Section 5](#) and the Texas Local Government Code [Chapter 9](#); and

WHEREAS, a home-rule municipality has full power of local self-government, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Title 2, Subtitle D, Chapter 51, [Section 51.072](#)(a); and

WHEREAS, a home-rule municipality has general enforcement authority and may enforce each rule, ordinance, or police regulation of the municipality and may punish a violation of a rule, ordinance, or police regulation pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Title 2, Subtitle D, Chapter 54, [Section 54.001](#), as amended and pursuant to Mesquite City Code, Chapter 1, [Section 1-6](#); and

WHEREAS, a home-rule municipality may enforce ordinances necessary to protect health, life, and property and to preserve the good government, order, and security of the municipality and its inhabitants, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Title 2, Subtitle D, Chapter 54, [Section 54.004](#), as amended; and

WHEREAS, the City shall have the power to enact and enforce ordinances necessary to protect health, life and property and to prevent and summarily abate and remove all nuisances, and to preserve and enforce good government and order and security of the City and its inhabitants, pursuant to Mesquite City Charter, Article III, [Section 2](#); and

WHEREAS, upon the review and consideration of all matters attendant and related hereto, the City Council is of the opinion that this ordinance should be approved and adopted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. **Recitals Incorporated.** The City Council hereby finds and determines the recitals made in the preamble of this ordinance are true and correct, and hereby incorporates such recitals here in the body of this ordinance as if copied in their entirety.

SECTION 2. **Findings.** The City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, hereby finds that extraordinary measures must be taken to contain COVID-19 and prevent its spread throughout the City of Mesquite, Dallas County, Kaufman County, and the surrounding areas.

SECTION 3. **Emergency Management Director and Emergency Management Coordinator.**

3.1. Pursuant to Mesquite City Code, Chapter 2, Article VI, [Section 2-186](#) (a), the Office of Emergency Management Director of the City is designated as and shall be held by the Mayor.

3.2. Pursuant to Mesquite City Code, Chapter 2, Article VI, [Section 2-186](#) (b), an Emergency Management Coordinator may be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the director. Pursuant to Section 418.101 of the Texas Government Code, the presiding officer of the governing body will notify the Texas Division of Emergency Management (“TDEM”) regarding the designation of an Emergency Management Coordinator. Mayor Bruce Archer has designated Cindy Carlo to serve as the City of Mesquite’s Emergency Management Coordinator pursuant to the filing of Form TDEM-147 effective November 14, 2019. Due to the rapidly changing environment resulting from this public health emergency the City Manager, or his designee, is authorized to appoint a temporary successor or successors for the Emergency Management Coordinator as identified within the City’s Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) or as otherwise identified by the City Manager, or his designee.

3.3. This ordinance hereby delegates the authority for execution of the duties within the City’s emergency management plans to the Emergency Management Coordinator, or his or her designee and/or successors as may be authorized by this Ordinance or other law.

SECTION 4. **Declaring a Local State of Disaster.** Pursuant to [Section 418.108](#)(a) of the Texas Government Code, the City Council finds and declares a local state of disaster for public health emergency in Mesquite as a result of the impact of COVID-19.

SECTION 5. **Continuing the Mayor’s Declaration of Local Disaster.** Continuing the Mayor’s Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency relating to COVID-19 issued on March 23, 2020, attached hereto and made a part hereof as **EXHIBIT A**, is hereby continued as provided in [Section 418.108](#)(b) of the Texas Government Code.

SECTION 6. **Confirming the Activation of the City’s Emergency Management Plans.**

6.1. This ordinance confirms the Mayor’s Declaration of Local State of Disaster for Public Health Emergency relating to COVID-19 activated the City of Mesquite’s Master Emergency Operations Plan (“MEOP”) and any other applicable emergency management plans,

and all Charter, statutory and ordinance powers vested in applicable City staff, the Mayor and City Council to act in this local state of disaster are hereby activated, pursuant to [Section 418.108](#) (d) of the Texas Government Code.

6.2. This Ordinance confirms and further activates the recovery and rehabilitation aspects of all applicable local or interjurisdictional emergency management plans and authorizes the furnishing of aid and assistance as deemed necessary or desirable by those administering such plans, pursuant to [Section 418.108](#) (d) of the Texas Government Code.

6.3. All aspects of the City of Mesquite's emergency management plans not already activated are hereby activated to the extent necessary to respond to the COVID-19 emergency as determined by the City Manager.

6.4. To the extent necessary, this ordinance supplements the foregoing plans, but only for the effective period of this ordinance.

6.5. The City of Mesquite emergency management plans shall remain active throughout the duration of the Mayor's Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency relating to COVID-19, and any continuation thereof authorized by the City Council or other applicable law.

SECTION 7. Temporary Public Health Facilities. Pursuant to [Section 418.020](#) (d) of the Texas Government Code, the City of Mesquite is authorized to: (1) temporarily or permanently acquire by lease, purchase or other means sites required for installation of temporary housing units, emergency shelters or public health facilities for disaster victims; and (2) enter into arrangements necessary to prepare or equip the sites to use the housing units, emergency shelters or public health facilities, including arrangements for the purchase of temporary housing units, emergency shelters or public health facilities and the payment of transportation charges.

SECTION 8. Waiver of Mesquite City Code Provisions. The City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to temporarily waive and/or suspend any City Code regulations that are difficult or impossible to comply with during the duration of the term of this ordinance and/or the Mayor's Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency relating to COVID-19 as long as such waiver is not inconsistent with state, federal, or other applicable law.

SECTION 9. Rules and Orders. Pursuant to [Section 121.003](#) and [Section 122.006](#) of the Texas Health and Safety Code, [Section 418.108](#) of the Texas Government Code, and such other powers the City of Mesquite may have under the City Charter and other laws, the City Council hereby adopts and approves the following rules and orders, which shall apply throughout Mesquite and shall be in effect on and from the date of this Ordinance until its expiration or it is modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded; provided, however, that any such order and rules may be terminated before said expiration, by subsequent order of the Mayor or City Council, and may be continued or renewed beyond the expiration of this ordinance only with authorization of the City Council:

9.1. Hoarding and Price-Gouging Prohibited. The hoarding of food and other items necessary for daily living is prohibited. The City Manager or his designee is authorized to distribute to retailers within Mesquite a list containing per-customer limitations on purchases, not in conflict with applicable Dallas County orders or Kaufman County orders, whichever the case may be for those locations. The City Attorney or his designee is authorized to take such action as allowed by law, in coordination with the Texas Attorney General, to enforce this ordinance and prohibitions on price-gouging.

9.2. Exclusion from Public Facilities. The City Manager and his designees are hereby authorized to temporarily exclude from any City of Mesquite building or facility a person whom the City Manager or his designee has reasonable cause to believe is ill with, has been exposed to or is the carrier of the virus that causes the sickness known as COVID-19. Such exclusion shall be on a temporary basis, but for as long as is necessary to protect the public and City employees' health and safety.

9.3. Shelter-in-Place and Stay-At-Home Orders. Pursuant to [Section 122.006](#) of the Texas Health and Safety Code, the City of Mesquite is authorized to adopt rules to protect the health of persons in Mesquite, including quarantine rules to protect its residents against communicable disease and the City may also provide for the establishment of quarantine stations, emergency hospitals and other hospitals. **MESQUITE RESIDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO SHELTER-IN-PLACE AND STAY-AT-HOME TO STAY SAFE AS FOLLOWS:**

9.3.1. Mesquite Residents Residing in DALLAS COUNTY: Shelter-in-Place and Stay-At-Home Orders. The City of Mesquite, Texas, residents residing in DALLAS COUNTY are directed to read and comply with the Dallas County [AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS Stay-Home-Stay-Safe dated March 29, 2020](#), amending the March 12, 2020 ORDER, included in that AMENDED ORDER is a mandatory Shelter-in-Place (Stay-At-Home) directive (continuing until April 3, 2020) with only *essential activities*, *essential governmental functions* and *essential businesses* (as defined therein) being excepted, and said Order is attached hereto and made a part hereof as **EXHIBIT B**. In the event Dallas County revises, updates, rescinds, supersedes, or amends its current Orders in effect, then **Mesquite residents, residing in Dallas County, are directed to read and comply with the most recent and/or valid Dallas County orders, and any such updated orders are adopted herein by reference.**

9.3.2. Mesquite Residents Residing in KAUFMAN COUNTY: Shelter-in-Place and Stay-At-Home Orders. The City of Mesquite, Texas, residents residing in KAUFMAN COUNTY are directed to read and comply with the Kaufman County [SHELTER-IN-PLACE ORDER OF THE COUNTY JUDGE OF KAUFMAN COUNTY, TEXAS, dated March 24, 2020](#), included in that ORDER is a mandatory Shelter-in-Place (Stay-At-Home) directive (continuing until April 8, 2020) with only *essential activities*, *essential governmental functions* and *essential businesses* being excepted, and said Order is attached hereto and made a part hereof as **EXHIBIT C**. In the event Kaufman County revises, updates, rescinds, supersedes, or amends its current Orders in effect, then **Mesquite residents, residing in Kaufman County, are directed to read and comply with the most recent and/or valid Kaufman County orders, and any such updated orders are adopted herein by reference.**

9.4 Mandated Self-Quarantine. Pursuant to [Section 122.006](#) of the Texas Health and Safety Code, the City of Mesquite is authorized to adopt rules to protect the health of persons in Mesquite, including quarantine rules to protect its residents against communicable disease and the City may also provide for the establishment of quarantine stations, emergency hospitals and other hospitals. MESQUITE RESIDENTS, AND ANY OTHER INDIVIDUALS TRAVELING TO THE CITY OF MESQUITE, ARE REQUIRED TO **SELF-QUARANTINE** TO STAY SAFE AS FOLLOWS:

9.4.1. Testing Positive for COVID-19. If a person in a household has tested positive for COVID-19, all persons within the household are ordered to isolate at their residence or other appropriate location such as a hotel, motel, shared rental, and similar facilities. Members of the household may not go to work, school, or any other community function, or receive visitors or in-home services until cleared by a medical professional or until a self-quarantine period of at least 14 days has passed from the date the individual tested positive for COVID-19. Persons may seek or receive medical services as needed from medical personnel and facilities.

9.4.2. Individuals Traveling to Texas, and specifically to the City of Mesquite, Texas, as their Final Destination through an AIRPORT from certain identified states or cities. City of Mesquite, Texas, residents and any other individuals traveling to Mesquite, Texas, as their final destination through an AIRPORT from:

- (1) the Tri-State Area of New York, New Jersey, or Connecticut;
- (2) the City of New Orleans, Louisiana;
- (3) State of California;
- (4) State of Louisiana;
- (5) State of Washington;
- (6) City of Atlanta, Georgia;
- (7) City of Chicago, Illinois;
- (8) City of Detroit, Michigan; and
- (9) City of Miami, Florida

are **MANDATED TO SELF-QUARANTINE FOR 14-DAYS** pursuant to Texas Governor Greg Abbott's [Executive Order GA 11](#) issued March 26, 2020, and the [Proclamation issued on March 29, 2020 updating Executive Order GA 11](#).

Said Executive Order GA 11 and Proclamation are attached hereto and made a part hereof as **EXHIBIT D**.

In the event the Governor revises, updates, rescinds, supersedes, or amends the current Executive Order and/or Proclamation in effect, then **Mesquite residents, and any other individuals traveling to Mesquite, Texas, through an AIRPORT as identified herein, are directed to read and comply with the most recent and/or valid Executive Orders and Proclamations, and any such updated Executive Orders and Proclamations are adopted herein by reference.**

The Governor's [Executive Order GA 11](#), and [Proclamation issued on March 29, 2020 updating Executive Order GA 11](#), will be enforced by the Texas Department of Public Safety ("DPS"). During this period, a quarantined person shall not allow visitors into or out of the designated quarantine location, other than a physician or healthcare provider, and cannot visit any public spaces. THE MANDATORY SELF-QUARANTINE WILL LAST A PERIOD OF 14-DAYS OR FOR THE DURATION OF A PERSON'S PRESENCE IN TEXAS, WHICHEVER IS SHORTER.

This order to self-quarantine shall not apply to people traveling in connection with military service, emergency response, health response, or critical-infrastructure functions, as may be determined by the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM).

9.4.3. Individuals Traveling to Texas, and specifically to the City of Mesquite, Texas, as their Final Destination utilizing ROADWAY TRAVEL from certain identified states. City of Mesquite, Texas, residents and any other individuals traveling to Mesquite, Texas, as their final destination utilizing ROADWAY TRAVEL from:

(1) The State of Louisiana

are **MANDATED TO SELF-QUARANTINE FOR 14-DAYS** pursuant to Texas Governor Greg Abbott's [Executive Order GA 12](#) issued March 26, 2020.

Said Executive Order GA 12 is attached hereto and made a part hereof as **EXHIBIT E**.

In the event the Governor revises, updates, rescinds, supersedes, or amends the current Executive Order in effect, and/or issues any Proclamation updating said Executive Order, then **Mesquite residents, and any other individuals traveling to Mesquite, Texas, utilizing ROADWAY TRAVEL, are directed to read and comply with the most recent and/or valid Executive Orders and Proclamations, and any such updated Executive Orders and Proclamations are adopted herein by reference.**

The Governor's [Executive Order GA 12](#), will be enforced by the Texas Department of Public Safety ("DPS"). During this period, a quarantined person shall not allow visitors into or out of the designated quarantine location, other than a physician or healthcare provider, and cannot visit any public spaces. THE MANDATORY SELF-QUARANTINE WILL LAST A PERIOD OF 14-DAYS OR FOR THE DURATION OF A PERSON'S PRESENCE IN TEXAS, WHICHEVER IS SHORTER.

This order to self-quarantine shall not apply to people traveling in connection with commercial activity, military service, emergency response, health response, or critical-infrastructure functions, as may be determined by the Texas Division of Emergency Management ("TDEM").

9.5. Telephone Conference and On-Line Participation in City Meetings. All citizens are encouraged to watch and participate in City Council meetings, and any other Board or Commission meetings, either online or via telephone conference rather than attend in person. For City Council meetings, members of the public may submit comments of public interest or comments on agenda items electronically to the City of Mesquite at sland@cityofmesquite.com. For Planning & Zoning Commission or Board of Adjustment meetings, members of the public may submit comments on agenda items electronically to the City of Mesquite at planning@cityofmesquite.com. Residents may also participate in meetings as described in the notice of meeting and/or the agenda.

9.6. Delivery Hours Restrictions Suspended. All City restrictions on delivery hours for transport to or from any business involved in the selling or distribution of food and household products, medicine or medical supplies are suspended.

SECTION 10. City Staffing.

10.1. While in a state of disaster, there is a compelling public purpose in maintaining the City's essential workforce and ensuring continuity in essential governmental functions while also recognizing this is a rapidly changing environment created by the public health emergency.

10.2. This ordinance authorizes the City Manager or his designee, if needed to abate the public health emergency, to: (1) implement skeleton crew days, (2) close the administrative offices, or (3) close the City's physical offices for purposes of a public health response.

10.3. The City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager, or his designee, to make any City staffing and compensation-related decisions necessary to adapt to the rapidly changing environment created by the public health emergency to meet the objectives stated herein and authorizes the expenditure of City funds to accommodate same.

SECTION 11. Authorizing City Expenditure of Funds.

11.1. That [Section 2-191](#), of the Mesquite City Code, is hereby TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED, but only to the extent it may conflict with Section 11.2 herein, during the time-period this Ordinance is effective, or for any other time period as authorized by the City Council.

11.2. The City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager, or his designee, to expend any public funds of the City (provided funds are available) in carrying out emergency management activities authorized by any emergency management plans. The City Manager, or his designee, shall have the authority and right to bind the City by contract, agreement or otherwise as necessary to ensure the public health, safety, and welfare. To the extent this provision conflicts with the provisions in [Section 2-5](#), of the Mesquite City Code as amended, this provision and ordinance shall prevail and be controlling.

11.3. Any expenditure of funds beyond that approved in the City's FY 2019-2020 budget, related to expenditures for emergency management activities or other expenditures caused by or directly related to the COVID-19 public health emergency, must come to the City Council

for ratification at a later date and the City Council shall ratify such expenditures at a City Council meeting open to the public. Any such expenditure may be made prior to City Council ratification due to the public health emergency. This section does not modify any other current delegation of authority the City Manager and any other City officials currently retain as authorized by Mesquite City Code, Chapter 2, [Section 2-5](#).

SECTION 12. Criminal and Civil Enforcement Remedies in General. Nothing in this ordinance prohibits the City from pursuing civil and criminal enforcement remedies and penalties concurrently or availing itself of any other remedy allowed by law.

SECTION 13. Enforcement, Offense, and Penalties.

13.1. Enforcement.

13.1.1. Enforcement of this Ordinance, or any Rule, Order, or other Ordinance adopted under the City's Emergency Management Plans. Enforcement of this ordinance, or any rule, order, or other ordinance adopted under the City's emergency management plans shall be by any authorized peace officer or other City official authorized to enforce City ordinances, including but not limited to, the Mesquite Police Department, the Mesquite Fire Marshal's Office, the Building Official, and his designees, licensed Code Officers, the City's Health Official and his designees.

13.1.2. Enforcement of Mandated Quarantine, pursuant to Texas Governor Greg Abbott's Orders and Proclamations will be performed by the Texas Department of Public Safety. Those entering Texas as their final destination from the designated areas as identified in [Executive Order GA 11](#), the [Proclamation issued on March 29, 2020 updating Executive Order GA 11](#), [Executive Order GA 12](#), and as identified in Section 9.4.2. and Section 9.4.3 of this Ordinance, will use a form from the Texas Department of Public Safety ("DPS") to designate their quarantine location. DPS special agents will conduct unannounced visits to designated quarantine locations to verify compliance. The City of Mesquite peace officers are hereby authorized to assist DPS if such assistance is requested.

13.2. Offense. Unless otherwise provided, failure to comply or violation of the provisions or terms of any of the following is an offense: (1) the City's Emergency Management Plan, authorized and established pursuant to Chapter 2, [Article VI](#) titled "Emergency Management" of the Mesquite City Code; or (2) the Mayor's Declaration of Local State of Disaster for Public Health Emergency relating to COVID-19, and any extensions thereof; or (3) this ordinance or any amendment thereto; or any (4) State; (5) local (including, but not limited to, such Orders of Dallas County and Kaufman County); or (6) interjurisdictional, emergency management plan or any rule, order or ordinance adopted under the plan, by any "person," (as defined in Mesquite City Code, Chapter 1, [Section 1-2](#)).

13.3. Penalties. Upon conviction of said offense, a person may be subject to a penalty of fine not to exceed ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000.00), as provided in Texas Government Code, [Chapter 418](#), [§ 418.173](#).

SECTION 14. **Publication.**

14.1. Newspaper. This ordinance shall be published in the City's official newspaper in accordance with Mesquite City Charter, Article IV, [Section 24](#).

14.2. Filing with City Secretary, Dallas County Clerk and Kaufman County Clerk. This Ordinance, continuing the Mayor's Declaration of a Local State of Disaster for Public Health Emergency relating to COVID-19 dated March 23, 2020, shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the Mesquite City Secretary's Office, and the Dallas County and Kaufman County Clerks, pursuant to [§ 418.108\(c\)](#) of the Texas Government Code.

14.3. City's Website and Bulletin Boards. The City Secretary or her designee is directed to post the following most recent and/or current legally valid documents on the City's website and bulletin boards (but only to the extent said bulletin boards can accommodate said documents or abbreviated versions of said documents): (1) Dallas County Orders; (2) Kaufman County Orders; (3) the Mayor's Declaration of Local State of Disaster for Public Health Emergency related to COVID-19 dated March 23, 2020; and (4) this ordinance.

SECTION 15. **Conflicts Resolution Clause.**

15.1. In the event of an irreconcilable conflict between the provisions of another previously adopted ordinance of the City of Mesquite and the provisions of this Ordinance, the provisions of this Ordinance shall be controlling.

15.2. In the event of a conflict between the offense and penalty provisions of the Mayor's Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency relating to COVID-19 issued on March 23, 2020, and the offense and penalty provisions provided for in this Ordinance, this Ordinance shall prevail and be controlling.

15.3. In the event of a conflict between this Ordinance, the Mayor's Declaration, and any other declaration, proclamation, order, or executive orders from the Dallas County Judge, the Kaufman County Judge, the Texas Governor, the President of the United States, or another controlling authority, the declaration, proclamation, order, or executive orders from the aforementioned individuals will prevail regarding a conflicting provision, but only to the extent it cannot be reconciled; the remainder of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect during the period stated unless otherwise modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded.

SECTION 16. **Severability Clause.** Should any word, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase or section of this Ordinance, or any attachment hereto, be adjudged or held to be void or unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of said Ordinance and the Mesquite City Code, as hereby or previously amended, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 17. **Exhibits to Ordinance.** The following Exhibits are attached hereto and made a part hereof:

EXHIBIT A. [Mayor's Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency relating to COVID-19, issued on March 23, 2020.](#)

EXHIBIT B. [AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS Stay-Home-Stay-Safe dated March 29, 2020; the March 29 North Texas Order: Summary of Changes; and the Stay Home Stay Safe Rules for the Construction Industry.](#)

EXHIBIT C. [SHELTER-IN-PLACE ORDER OF THE COUNTY JUDGE OF KAUFMAN COUNTY, TEXAS, dated March 24, 2020.](#)

EXHIBIT D. [Texas Governor Greg Abbott EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 11 relating to AIRPORT screening and self-quarantine during the COVID-19 disaster; and the Proclamation issued on March 29, 2020 updating Executive Order GA 11.](#)


EXHIBIT E. [Texas Governor Greg Abbott's EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 12 relating to ROADWAY screening and self-quarantine during the COVID-19 disaster.](#)

SECTION 18. **Emergency Measure Ordinance.** On March 27, 2020, pursuant to City Council Rules of Procedure, Section 3.2, Mayor Bruce Archer called for a special called meeting for the purpose of the City Council to discuss and consider this emergency measure ordinance as authorized by Mesquite City Charter, Article IV, [Section 18](#) and [Section 19](#). This emergency measure ordinance is for the immediate preservation of the public business, property and health and safety during this public health emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

SECTION 19. **Effective Date.** This ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately from and after the passage thereof in accordance with Mesquite City Charter, Article IV, [Section 24](#).

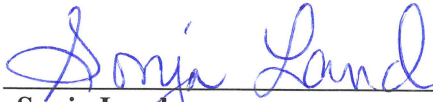
SECTION 20. **Expiration Date.** This Ordinance expires on the earlier to occur: (1) of the termination or expiration of the Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency issued by Dallas County; or (2) **MAY 18, 2020**, unless extended by the affirmative vote of a simple majority of the City Council of the City of Mesquite; or (3) until this Ordinance is either modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded pursuant to the affirmative vote of a simple majority of the City Council of the City of Mesquite or other applicable law.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas,
on the **30th day of March 2020**.



Tandy Boroughs
Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:



Sonja Land
City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:



David L. Paschall
City Attorney

EXHIBIT A

To Ordinance No. 4773

Mayor's Declaration of Local Disaster
for Public Health Emergency relating to COVID-19,
issued on March 23, 2020

**DECLARATION OF LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER
FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY**

BY MAYOR BRUCE ARCHER

CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS

MARCH 23, 2020

* * * RELATING TO COVID-19 * * *

WHEREAS, beginning in or about December 2019, a novel coronavirus, now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19, has spread throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 has been recognized globally as a contagious respiratory virus and symptoms include fever, coughing and shortness of breath and, in some cases, has caused death; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has advised that person-to-person contact heightens the risk of COVID-19 transmission; and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2020, the World Health Organization urged aggressive preparedness and activation of emergency plans to aggressively change the trajectory of this epidemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a worldwide pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued a [Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency](#) and [ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS dated March 12, 2020](#); and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, President Donald J. Trump issued a [Proclamation on Declaring a National Emergency Concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease \(COVID-19\) Outbreak \[Proclamation No. 9994, 85 F.R. 15337 \(March 13, 2020\)\]](#); and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, Texas Governor Greg Abbott issued a [Proclamation](#) certifying that COVID-19 poses an imminent threat of disaster in the state of Texas and declaring a state of disaster for all counties in Texas; and

WHEREAS, the President's Coronavirus Guidelines for America, as promulgated by President Donald J. Trump and the CDC on March 16, 2020, call upon Americans to slow the spread of COVID-19 by avoiding social gatherings in groups of more than 10 people, using drive-thru, pick-up, or delivery options at restaurants and bars, and avoiding visitation at nursing homes, among other steps; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued an [AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS dated March 16, 2020](#), amending the March 12, 2020 ORDER; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2020, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued an [AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS DATED MARCH 18, 2020](#); and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2020, Kaufman County Judge Hal Richards issued a [Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency](#); and

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of State Health Services has now determined that, as of March 19, 2020, COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of [Chapter 81](#) of the Texas Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, under the Texas Disaster Act of 1975, “[t]he governor is responsible for meeting . . . the dangers to the state and people presented by disasters” ([Section 418.001](#) of the Texas Government Code), and the legislature has given the governor broad authority to fulfill that responsibility; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Texas Governor Greg Abbott has issued [Executive Order GA 08](#), *Relating to COVID-19 preparedness and mitigation*; and

WHEREAS, on March 21, 2020, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued an [AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS dated March 21, 2020](#), amending the March 12, 2020 ORDER; and

WHEREAS, on March 22, 2020, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued an [AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS dated March 22, 2020](#), amending the March 12, 2020 ORDER, included in that AMENDED ORDER is a mandatory Shelter-in-Place (Stay-At-Home) directive with only *essential activities, essential governmental functions and essential businesses* being excepted; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 continues to spread and pose an increasing, imminent threat of disaster throughout Texas; and

WHEREAS, extraordinary measures must be taken to contain COVID-19 and prevent its spread throughout the State of Texas, Dallas and Kaufman Counties, and the City of Mesquite; and

WHEREAS, the continued worldwide and local spread of COVID-19 presents an imminent threat of widespread illness, requiring emergency action; and

WHEREAS, unless the actions as hereby provided are immediately initiated, avoidable serious illness and deaths could occur; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the [Texas Disaster Act of 1975, Texas Government Code, Chapter 418](#), the Mayor of the City of Mesquite, Texas, may declare a local state of disaster in the City, and may exercise the powers granted therein on an appropriate local scale; and

WHEREAS, a declaration of local state of disaster includes the ability to take measures to reduce the possibility of exposure to disease, mitigate the risk, and promote the health and safety of the residents of the City of Mesquite, Texas; and

WHEREAS, the measures identified in this Declaration are designed to prevent deaths in the City; and

WHEREAS, this state of disaster requires that certain emergency protective measures be taken pursuant to the [Texas Disaster Act of 1975](#) relating to emergency management and public health, pursuant to Texas Government Code Chapter 418; and

WHEREAS, I, Bruce Archer, the Mayor, and presiding officer of the City Council, of the City of Mesquite, Texas, have determined that in order to remain consistent with the aforementioned Declarations, Proclamations, Orders, and Executive Orders, extraordinary and immediate measures must be taken to respond quickly, prevent and alleviate the suffering of people exposed to and those infected with the Coronavirus, as well as those that could potentially be infected or impacted by COVID-19 within the City of Mesquite, Texas; and

WHEREAS, the City will work collaboratively with the its bordering cities, Dallas and Kaufman Counties, and the state of Texas to ensure that all appropriate and necessary measures are taken to limit the development, contraction and spread of COVID-19.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the City of Mesquite, Texas, City Charter, and the Mesquite City Code and the laws and regulations of the state of Texas,
I, MAYOR BRUCE ARCHER, HEREBY PROCLAIM AND DECLARE:

SECTION 1. A local state of disaster for public health emergency for the City of Mesquite, Texas, pursuant to [§ 418.108\(a\)](#) of the Texas Government Code.

SECTION 2. This declaration of a local state of disaster activates the City of Mesquite's Emergency Operations Plan and any other applicable emergency management plans, and all Charter, statutory and ordinance powers vested in applicable City staff, the Mayor and City Council to act in this local state of disaster are hereby activated, pursuant to [§ 418.108\(d\)](#) of the Texas Government Code. This Declaration further activates the recovery and rehabilitation aspects of all applicable local or interjurisdictional emergency management plans and authorizes the furnishing of aid and assistance as deemed necessary or desirable by those administering such plans.

SECTION 3. This declaration authorizes the Mayor to control the movement of persons and occupancy of premises in the City, pursuant to [§ 418.108\(g\)](#) of the Government Code.

- SECTION 4.** This declaration authorizes the City Manager or his designee, if needed, to: (1) implement skeleton crew days, (2) close the administrative offices, or (3) close the City's physical offices for purposes of a public health response.
- SECTION 5.** This declaration authorizes the City Manager or his designee, on behalf of the City Council, to take any actions reasonably necessary in regards to processing records requests made pursuant to the Public Information Act, including but not limited to authorizing the filing of a Public Information Act Catastrophe Notice implementing an initial suspension period and any subsequent extension thereof for the City's responses to records requests, authorized by and pursuant to [Section 552.233](#) of the Government Code.
- SECTION 6.** The City is authorized to adopt rules to protect the health of persons in the City including quarantine rules to protect its residents against communicable disease and provide for establishment of quarantine stations, emergency hospitals and other hospitals, pursuant to [§ 122.006](#) of the Texas Health and Safety Code.
- SECTION 7.** The City of Mesquite, Texas, and its residents are directed to read and comply with Texas Governor Greg Abbott's [Executive Order GA 08](#).
- SECTION 8.** In accordance with Governor Greg Abbott's [Executive Order GA 08](#), ORDER No. 1, every person in Texas shall avoid social gatherings in groups of more than 10 people.
- SECTION 9.** In accordance with Governor Greg Abbott's [Executive Order GA 08](#), offices and workplaces that remain open, employees should practice good hygiene and, where feasible, work from home in order to achieve optimum isolation from COVID-19.
- SECTION 10.** The City of Mesquite, Texas, and its residents are directed to read and comply with the Dallas County [AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS dated March 22, 2020](#), amending the March 12, 2020 ORDER, included in that AMENDED ORDER is a mandatory Shelter-in-Place (Stay-At-Home) directive with only *essential activities*, *essential governmental functions* and *essential businesses* (as defined therein) being excepted; and
- SECTION 11.** This declaration of a local state of disaster shall continue for a period of not more than seven (7) days from the date of this declaration unless continued or renewed by the City Council of Mesquite, Texas, pursuant to [§ 418.108\(b\)](#) of the Texas Government Code.

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- SECTION 12.** This Declaration of a Local State of Disaster for Public Health Emergency: COVID-19 shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the City Secretary, and the Dallas and Kaufman County Clerks, pursuant to [§ 418.108\(c\)](#) of the Texas Government Code.
- SECTION 13.** The City Secretary is directed to post the Dallas County [AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS dated March 22, 2020](#) and this Declaration of Local State of Disaster for Public Health Emergency: COVID-19 on the City's bulletin boards and web-site.
- SECTION 14.** If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Declaration or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Declaration.
- SECTION 15.** In the event of a conflict between this Declaration, and any other Declaration, Proclamation, Order, or Executive Orders from the Dallas County Judge, the Kaufman County Judge, the Texas Governor, the President of the United States, or another controlling authority, the Declaration, Proclamation, Order, or Executive Orders from the aforementioned individuals will prevail regarding a conflicting provision, but only to the extent it cannot be reconciled; the remainder of this Declaration shall remain in full force and effect during the period stated unless otherwise amended or revoked.
- SECTION 16.** Nothing in this declaration prohibits the City from pursuing civil and criminal enforcement remedies and penalties concurrently or availing itself of any other remedy allowed by local, state or federal law. Any violation of the provisions or terms of the Emergency Management Plan, established under Chapter 2, [Article VI](#) titled "Emergency Management", of the Mesquite City Code, by any "person," (as defined in Mesquite City Code, Chapter 1, [Section 1-2](#)) may be deemed a Class C Misdemeanor criminal offense, and upon conviction thereof, subject to either a penalty of fine not to exceed ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000.00) or confinement in jail for a term that does not exceed 180 days for each offense, as provided in Texas Government Code, [Chapter 418](#), [§418.173](#).
- SECTION 17.** This Declaration shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

DECLARED at 5:25 o'clock, p.m. this 23rd day of March 2020.

Bruce Archer

Mayor, City of Mesquite, Texas

**AMENDMENT NO. 11
TO
EXHIBIT B**

To Ordinance No. 4773

***** This AMENDMENT No. 11 to EXHIBIT B supersedes (replaces) the following: *****

**Original Exhibit B
and
Amendment No. 1 to Exhibit B
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Amendment No. 2 to Exhibit B
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Amendment No. 4 to Exhibit B
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Amendment No. 7 to Exhibit B
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Amendment No. 8 to Exhibit B
and
Amendment No. 9 to Exhibit B
and
Amendment No. 10 to Exhibit B**

SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS
on Continuing Requirements after Expiration of Stay Home, Stay Safe dated May 14, 2020

AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS
Regarding Long-Term Care Facilities dated May 15, 2020

SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS
on Requirements for Food Processing Plants After Expiration of Stay Home, Stay Safe dated May 15, 2020



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SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS ON CONTINUING REQUIREMENTS AFTER EXPIRATION OF STAY

HOME, STAY SAFE

DATE ORDER ISSUED: May 14, 2020

JOHN F. WARREN
COUNTY CLERK
DALLAS COUNTY
BY DM DEPUTY

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency on March 12, 2020, due to a novel coronavirus now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Judge Jenkins issued an Order in furtherance of his authority to protect the safety and welfare of the public by slowing the spread of the virus;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump acknowledged the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic, releasing strict new guidelines to limit people's interactions, including that Americans should avoid groups of more than 10 people;

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Dallas County Commissioners Court issued an Order of Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Dallas County Emergency Management Plan and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster until 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2020, unless rescinded by order of the Commissioners Court.

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the World Health Organization indicated that the United States has the potential to become the center of the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, on April 27, 2020, Governor Abbott issued an Executive Order reopening certain businesses in Texas for in-person services so long as certain workplace safety rules are followed;

WHEREAS, this Supplemental Order is necessary to protect the lives, health, welfare, and safety of the County's residents from the devastating impacts of this pandemic;

THEREFORE, County Judge Clay Jenkins hereby ISSUES the following Supplemental Order as follows:

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 418.108, DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS ORDERS:

1. Effective as of 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2020, and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on May 20, 2020:
 - a. All Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) Recovery Payments to individuals shall be exempt from "garnishment" as that term is described in Chapter 63 of the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code, except for garnishment for child support payments. All CARE Act Payments shall remain exempt from garnishment when deposited into an account in a financial institution. This provision is enacted to ensure Dallas County residents can use their CARES Act Recovery



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Payments for their housing, food, medical and other essential needs during the COVID-19 emergency period.

- b. All public, private, and commercial laboratories operating within Dallas County and performing COVID-19 testing shall report by 5:00 p.m. each day for the prior 24-hour period:

- i. The number of COVID-19 tests performed; and
- ii. The number of positive COVID-19 tests.

Reports shall be made to Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins at Clay.Jenkins@dallascounty.org and Dallas County Health and Human Services Director Dr. Philip Huang at Philip.Huang@dallascounty.org. Reporting laboratories shall not provide names or any other identifiable health information that could be used to identify an individual patient.

- c. Door-to-door solicitation creates an unnecessary face-to-face situation for residents who are home in greater numbers due to the closure of schools and businesses, potentially endangering the health of residents. Under this Order, door-to-door solicitation is prohibited, including the leaving of written materials on the door or mailbox of a residence. This provision does not apply to any business in the grocery supply chain or any non-profit providing community resources for those effected by the coronavirus. Nothing in this Order prohibits utility companies or government agencies from contacting individuals at their residences to perform their normal business functions.
- d. Employers shall not implement any rules making a negative COVID-19 test or a note from a healthcare provider a requirement before a COVID-19 recovered employee can return to work.
- e. Under this Order, no person shall sell any of the following goods or services for more than the regular retail price the person charged for the goods or services on March 16, 2020, except where an increased retail price is the result of increased supplier or other costs (including the loss of supplier supporting funds):
- i. groceries, beverages, toilet articles, and ice;
 - ii. restaurant, cafeteria, and boarding-house meals; and
 - iii. medicine, pharmaceutical and medical equipment, and supplies.
- f. Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, hospitals, and medical facilities are experiencing high levels of demand for a large number of products, requiring more deliveries from manufacturers and distribution centers to serve their customers. A number of Texas cities and local associations have implemented restrictions on delivery hours to stores to mitigate truck noise and traffic. Due to the need to deliver products as quickly and efficiently as possible during this critical timeframe, this Order hereby suspends all delivery hour restrictions for transport to or from any entity involved in the selling or distribution of food products, medicine, or medical supplies in Dallas County for the next 60 days.
- g. If someone in a household has tested positive for coronavirus, the household is ordered to isolate at home. Members of the household cannot go to work, school, or any other



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- community function, except for workers included in Essential Healthcare Operations who may continue to work in accordance with CDC guidance.
- h. Nursing homes, retirement, and long-term care facilities are instructed by this Order to prohibit non-essential visitors from accessing their facilities unless to provide critical assistance or for end-of-life visitation.
 - i. Public and private schools and institutions of higher education are instructed by this Order to provide a safety plan to Dallas County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management 72 hours before students return to a classroom setting.
 - j. Additionally, the Office of the Dallas County Judge and the Health Authority instructs all employees to remain at home if sick. Employees of private businesses and nonprofits with six (6) or more employees in the City of Dallas can use their paid sick leave when they are sick or to care for sick family members.
 - k. This Order shall be in effect until 11:59 p.m. on May 20, 2020, or until it is either rescinded, superseded, or amended pursuant to applicable law.
 - l. The County of Dallas must promptly provide copies of this Order by posting on the Dallas County Health and Human Services website. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is strongly encouraged to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.
 - m. The Dallas County Sheriff's Office, the Dallas County Fire Marshal's Office, and other peace officers, are hereby authorized to enforce this Order. A violation of this order may be punishable through criminal or civil enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000.

IT IS SO ORDERED

CLAY JENKINS
DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE



DALLAS COUNTY

AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS REGARDING LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES

DATE ORDER ISSUED: May 15, 2020

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency on March 12, 2020, due to a novel coronavirus now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19;

WHEREAS, the on-going evaluation of circumstances related to the virus and the updated recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and the Texas Department of State Health Services warrant the March 12, 2020 Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins be amended;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump acknowledged the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic, releasing strict new guidelines to limit people's interactions, including that Americans should avoid groups of more than 10 people; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Dallas County Commissioners Court issued an Order of Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Dallas County Emergency Management Plan and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster until 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020, unless rescinded by order of the Commissioners Court.

THEREFORE, County Judge Clay Jenkins issue this Order. This Order does not supersede or replace any other orders issued by Judge Jenkins pursuant to and under the authority of the Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency and such other orders remain in full force and effect pursuant to their terms:

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 418.108, DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS ORDERS:

1. This Order shall be in effect beginning at 6:00 p.m. on May 15, 2020 and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on May 20, 2020, or until it is either rescinded, superseded, or amended pursuant to applicable law.
2. This Order applies to all Long-Term Care Facilities, including Skilled Nursing Facilities and Assisted Living Facilities, and Nursing Homes (henceforth referred to as "Facilities") in Dallas County, Texas.
3. If a resident of a Facility is identified with a COVID-19 diagnosis, the Facility shall do the following:
 - a. Immediately notify all staff (from all levels of care or any job description within the Facility) that a resident has been diagnosed with COVID-19. This notification shall be done in staff meetings, by phone or text message or email.
 - b. All residents (in all levels of care within the Facility) who are mentally competent shall be informed immediately that a resident has been diagnosed with COVID-



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19. If the Facility learns of the diagnosis while the resident is asleep, the resident shall be notified immediately after they wake. The Facility shall insure that the notification is documented and maintained in its records, including noting the time and method of delivery of the notification.

c. Family members and responsible parties of all residents (in all levels of care within a facility with the exception of independent living) shall be informed immediately by phone, text message or email. Upon request, Facilities shall inform family members of the total number of cases in the Facility.

d. The Dallas County Probate Courts shall be informed immediately that a resident of the facility has been diagnosed with COVID-19. The Facility shall send notification by email to LaNasha D. Houze, Director of Operations for the Dallas County Probate Courts, at LaNasha.Houze@dallascounty.org.

e. A notification statement of diagnosis of COVID-19 in a resident shall also be posted for public access within 30 minutes of identification of a case. The notice shall be posted at the main entrance to the Facility and prominently displayed on the Facility website. This website posting must include the total number of positive cases at the Facility and must be posted on the Facility local webpage in addition to the Facility corporate website. A Facility may not remove postings of positive cases until the Facility goes 30 consecutive days without any COVID-19 diagnosis of a resident or staff member.

f. Proof of the completion of all notifications in 3(a)-3(d) shall be provided to Dallas County Health and Human Services within six business hours of the identification of a resident's diagnosis of COVID-19. For purposes of this subsection, business hours are from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

4. After the first positive test of a staff member or resident, a Facility must test all residents and staff of the Facility for COVID-19. Facilities with current positive cases and that have not done comprehensive testing must conduct an assessment of their current infection levels by testing all staff and residents who were either not previously tested or were tested previously but are now exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19. Facilities must coordinate testing of Facility staff and residents with Dallas County Health and Human Services.

a. Facilities must provide Dallas County Health and Human Services, or any provider performing testing on behalf of DCHHS, access to residents and staff for COVID-19 testing.

b. Facilities cannot deter residents or staff from receiving a COVID-19 test.

5. If an Facility has any resident with a diagnoses of COVID-19, the Facility shall institute the following measures within the same level of care:

a. All health care personnel must wear facemasks while in the Facility and consider having all health care personnel wear all recommended personal protective equipment ("PPE") (gown, gloves, eye protection, N95 respirator or, if not available, a facemask) for the care of all residents, regardless of presence of symptoms. The Facility should also implement protocols for extended use of eye protection and facemasks. The Facility shall insure that all health care personnel must have temperature and symptom



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checks prior to each shift. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;

b. The facility will be closed to new admissions and will also close all services, including outpatient rehabilitation. Facilities cannot accept new admissions until the Facility goes 30 consecutive days without any COVID-19 diagnosis of a resident or staff member. This provision does not apply to (i) a COVID-19 Facility, as designated by the Dallas County Health Authority, which receives convalescing COVID-19 patients from acute care hospitals; or (ii) upon approval of the Dallas County Health Authority, a Facility with a specific wing or unit where COVID-19 residents are cohorted in isolation separated from the rest of the Facility pursuant to CDC guidelines, to include separate entrance/exit from the rest of the Facility with dedicated direct care staff.

c. Any and all of the staff at the Facility shall not work at any Facility other than the impacted Facility, and the administrator any Facility shall keep a list of all employees who have worked at any other Facilities, including the name and contact information for the administrator at the other Facility.

6. Hospitals and surgical centers shall test all patients for COVID-19 before referring the patient to a Facility.

a. Hospitals and surgical centers shall test patients for COVID-19 regardless of whether the patient is exhibiting symptoms or not.

b. Hospitals and surgical centers shall provide the patient's COVID-19 test results in writing to the referring Facility before the patient may be transferred from the hospital or surgical center to the Facility.

7. Any standards prohibiting improper transfer of patients under this Order will be strictly enforced.

8. If a Facility has any resident with a diagnoses of COVID-19, the Facility may allow transfer of a resident to home care, but only after a patient has been tested as negative for COVID-19. In the case of such a transfer, the Facility must provide a copy of this order to those in the household to which the resident is being transferred. Those persons in the household to which the resident is transferred are ordered to isolate at home for 14 days. Members of the household cannot go to work, school, or any other community function, except for workers included in Essential Healthcare Operations who may continue to work in accordance with CDC guidance.

9. If a Facility has any resident with a diagnosis of COVID-19, the Facility may allow transfer of a resident to a hospital, but only after the Facility has provided notice to the receiving hospital that the patient is coming from a Facility with identified COVID-19. If the patient is transferred by ambulance, the Facility must also provide notice to the ambulance providers that the patient is coming from a Facility with identified COVID-19. The hospital may transfer the resident back to the same Facility that initially transferred the patient.

10. Facilities can accept convalescing (recovering) patients with COVID-19 if they are no longer deemed infectious as per CDC and local health authority guidelines.



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11. Facilities can accept new admissions if the individuals are transferred from a facility closed by state health authorities.
12. The Facility shall inform the Texas Health and Human Services Commission of all COVID-19 cases, the same day of identification of each new case. The notification must also include a tally of total cases.
13. The County of Dallas must promptly provide copies of this Order by posting on the Dallas County Health and Human Services website. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is required to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED

CLAY JENKINS
DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE



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SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS ON REQUIREMENTS FOR FOOD PROCESSING PLANTS AFTER EXPIRATION OF STAY HOME, STAY SAFE

DATE ORDER ISSUED: May 15, 2020

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency on March 12, 2020, due to a novel coronavirus now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump acknowledged the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic, releasing strict new guidelines to limit people's interactions, including that Americans should avoid groups of more than 10 people;

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Dallas County Commissioners Court issued an Order of Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Dallas County Emergency Management Plan and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster until 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2020, unless rescinded by order of the Commissioners Court.

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the World Health Organization indicated that the United States has the potential to become the center of the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have identified meat and food processing plants as a cause of COVID-19 outbreaks across the United States;

WHEREAS, Dallas County has confirmed cases of COVID-19 in multiple meat and food processing plants;

WHEREAS, this Supplemental Order is necessary to protect the lives, health, welfare, and safety of the County's residents from the devastating impacts of this pandemic;

THEREFORE, County Judge Clay Jenkins hereby ISSUES the following Supplemental Order as follows:

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 418.108, DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS ORDERS:

1. Effective as of 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2020, and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on May 20, 2020:
 - a. **Food Preparation and Processing Plants.** All food manufacturing and processing plants, including meat and poultry processing facilities, fruit and vegetable plants, dairy plants, and other food and beverage plants must adhere to OSHA and CDC guidelines, and must follow the Rules for Food Preparation and Processing Plants set forth below:
 - i. Food preparation and processing plants shall implement a system whereby all employees take their temperature at home and upon arriving at work are



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screened for the following: new or worsening cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, loss of taste or smell, feeling feverish or an onsite measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit, or known close contact with a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19. Any employee who meets any of these criteria must be sent home;

- ii. Employees must wash or disinfect hands upon entering the plant, after any interaction with other employees, and after the use of any shared items;
- iii. To the greatest extent possible, all employees should wear cloth face coverings over the nose and mouth;
- iv. Food preparation and processing plants shall regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces, such as restrooms, doorknobs, tables, and chairs;
- v. Remove turnstiles and other physical barriers at the entrance that would be touched by employees one after the other;
- vi. To the greatest extent possible, food preparation and processing plants shall implement a system by which all employees maintain at least 6 feet separation from one another and other individuals, including:
 - 1. Mark out 6 foot distances for workers to stand in while they wait to punch in or create methods for employee time-tracking other than using a common time-clock to minimize workers congregating;
 - 2. Stagger start, break and lunch times;
 - 3. Mark out a 6 foot line in front of supervisor/management desk;
 - 4. No meetings without 6 foot distances between chairs or people;
 - 5. Identify areas where employees congregate – such as locker rooms, donning and doffing areas for PPE, breakrooms, etc. and ensure social distancing is possible in these areas;
 - 6. Restrict specific areas of the plant to individuals who need to be in that area;
 - 7. Consider physical barriers on the line or reduce line speeds so that lines can operate with fewer employees spaced further apart; and
 - 8. Create alternating shifts for different types of work activities, or split plant operations from one shift into two, to create situations in which fewer employees have to interact.
- b. The County of Dallas must promptly provide copies of this Order by posting on the Dallas County Health and Human Services website. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is strongly encouraged to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.



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- c. The Dallas County Sheriff's Office, the Dallas County Fire Marshal's Office, and other peace officers, are hereby authorized to enforce this Order. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000.

IT IS SO ORDERED

CLAY JENKINS
DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE

**AMENDMENT NO. 10
TO
EXHIBIT B**

To Ordinance No. 4773

**NOTE: This Amendment No. 10 to Exhibit B has been updated and replaced.
SEE AMENDMENT No. 11 to EXHIBIT B (Page 039).**

AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS
Safer-At-Home, dated April 23, 2020

And

SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS
On Reopened Services and Food Processing Plant dated May 8, 2020

And

AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS
regarding Long-term Care Facilities dated May 8, 2020.



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AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS

Safer At Home Order

DATE AMENDED ORDER ISSUED: April 23, 2020

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency on March 12, 2020, due to a novel coronavirus now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Judge Jenkins issued an Order in furtherance of his authority to protect the safety and welfare of the public by slowing the spread of the virus;

WHEREAS, the on-going evaluation of circumstances related to the virus and the updated recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and the Texas Department of State Health Services warrant the March 12, 2020 Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins be amended;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump acknowledged the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic, releasing strict new guidelines to limit people's interactions, including that Americans should avoid groups of more than 10 people;

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Dallas County Commissioners Court issued an Order of Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Dallas County Emergency Management Plan and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster until 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2020, unless rescinded by order of the Commissioners Court.

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the World Health Organization indicated that the United States has the potential to become the center of the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, this Emergency Order is necessary because of the propensity of the virus to spread person to person and also because the virus is physically causing property damage due to its proclivity to attach to surfaces for prolonged periods of time;

WHEREAS, this Emergency Order is necessary to protect the lives, health, welfare, and safety of the County's residents from the devastating impacts of this pandemic;

THEREFORE, the March 12, 2020, Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins is hereby AMENDED as follows:

Summary: The virus that causes 2019 Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) is easily transmitted through person to person contact, especially in group settings, and it is essential that the spread of the virus be slowed to protect the ability of public and private health care providers to handle the influx of new patients and safeguard public health and safety. Because of the risk of the rapid spread of the virus, and the need to protect the most vulnerable members of the community, this Order requires all individuals anywhere in Dallas County to shelter in place – that is, stay at home – except for certain essential activities and work to provide essential business and government services or perform essential public infrastructure construction, including housing. This Order



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takes effect Noon on April 23, 2020 and will continue through 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2020, subject to the limited exceptions and under the terms and conditions more particularly set forth below.

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 418.108, DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS ORDERS:

1. Effective as of Noon on April 23, 2020, and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2020:
 - (a) All individuals currently living within Dallas County are ordered to shelter at their place of residence. For the purposes of this Order, residences include hotels, motels, shared rentals, and similar facilities. To the extent individuals are using shared or outdoor spaces, they must at all times as reasonably as possible maintain social distancing of at least six feet from any other person when they are outside their residence. All persons may leave their residences only for Essential Activities, Reopened Services, or to provide or perform Essential Governmental Functions, or to operate Essential Businesses, all as defined in Section 2.
 - (b) All businesses operating within Dallas County, except Essential Businesses and Reopened Services as defined in below in Section 2, are required to cease all activities at facilities located within the County except Minimum Basic Operations as defined in Section 2. For clarity, businesses may continue operations consisting exclusively of employees or contractors performing activities at their own residences (i.e. working from home). To the greatest extent possible, all Essential Businesses shall comply with the Social Distancing Rules attached, including maintaining six feet social distancing for both employees and the general public.
 - (c) Employees of Essential Businesses and Reopened Services, whose physical presence at the workplace is not essential to operations, are directed to use telecommuting to the fullest extent possible.
 - (d) All public or private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit are prohibited, except as otherwise provided herein. Nothing in this Order prohibits the gathering of members of a household or living unit.
2. Definitions:
 - a. For purposes of this Order, individuals may leave their residence only to perform any of the following “**Essential Activities**”:
 - i. To engage in activities or perform tasks essential to their health and safety, or to the health and safety of their family or household members (for example, obtaining medical supplies or medication, visiting a health care professional, or obtaining supplies need to work from home).
 - ii. To obtain necessary services or supplies for themselves and their family or household members, or to deliver those services or supplies to others (for example, food, pet supply, and any other household consumer products, and products necessary to maintain the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences).



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- iii. To engage in outdoor activity, provided the individuals comply with social distancing requirements of six feet (for example, walking, biking, hiking, running, golfing, and tennis).
 - iv. To perform work providing essential products and services at an Essential Business or to otherwise carry out activities specifically permitted in this Order.
 - v. To care for a family member or pet in another household.
 - vi. To move to another residence either in or outside Dallas County.
 - vii. To engage in **"Essential Travel,"** which includes travel for any of the following purposes: (1) travel related to the provision of or access to Essential Activities, Essential Governmental Functions, Essential Businesses, Reopened Services, Essential Critical Infrastructure, and Minimum Basic Operation; (2) travel to care for elderly, minors, dependents, persons with disabilities, or other vulnerable persons; (3) travel to or from educational institutions for purposes of receiving materials for distance learning, for receiving meals, and any other related services; (4) travel to return to a place of residence from outside the jurisdiction; (5) travel required by law enforcement or court order; (6) travel by church staff or clergy for the purpose of production of remote delivery of religious services and other ministries requiring travel; (7) travel related to attending a funeral service; or (8) travel required for non-residents to return to their place of residence outside the County.
- b. For purposes of this Order, **"Reopened Services"** means:
- i. Retail services that are not "Essential Businesses" under this Order.
 - ii. Effective 12:01 a.m. on Friday, April 24, 2020, Reopened Services shall be provided only through pickup, delivery by mail, or delivery to the customer's doorstep. Customers may not enter the premises.
 - iii. All Reopened Services shall comply with the following requirements:
 - 1. All employees must be trained on environmental cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
 - 2. All employees must be screened before coming into the business for new or worsening cough; shortness of breath; sore throat; loss of taste or smell; feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit; or known close contact with a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19. Any employee who meets any of these criteria must be sent home.
 - 3. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas.
 - 4. Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, after each interaction with a customer, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift.
 - 5. All employees must wear face coverings.



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6. Employees must maintain at least 6 feet separation from one another.
- iv. All Reopened Services providing services through Retail-to-Go shall comply with the following conditions:
 1. All payments shall be done over the phone or internet if possible, and contact shall be minimized if remote payment is not available.
 2. Purchased items shall be delivered by the employee to the backseat or trunk of the customer's vehicle whenever possible to minimize physical contact with the customer.
 3. Employees must wash or sanitize their hands after each interaction with a customer, and whenever possible, must disinfect any item that came into contact with the customer.
- v. All Reopened Services providing services through delivery to a customer's residence or business shall comply with the following conditions:
 1. All payments shall be done over the phone or internet if possible, and contact shall be minimized if remote payment is not available.
 2. Purchased items shall be delivered by an employee or third-party carrier and delivered to the customer's residence or business. The employee or third-party carrier may not enter the customer's house or business.
- vi. All Reopened Services providing services through delivery by mail shall comply with the following conditions:
 1. All payments must be done over the phone or internet.
 2. Purchased items shall be delivered by mail without customer contact.
- c. For purposes of this Order, "**Essential Businesses**" means:
 - i. **Essential Healthcare Operations.** Healthcare Operations includes but is not limited to hospitals, clinics, dentists, chiropractors, physical therapy, optometry offices, pharmacies, pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, other healthcare facilities, healthcare suppliers, mental health providers, substance abuse service providers, blood banks, medical research, laboratory services, certified doulas, or any related and/or ancillary healthcare services. Home-based and residential-based care for seniors, adults, or children are also considered healthcare operations. Healthcare operations also includes veterinary care and all health and welfare services provided to animals. This exemption shall be viewed broadly to avoid any impacts to the delivery of healthcare. Healthcare operations do not include fitness and exercise gyms, personal training, gymnastics studios, and similar facilities. Healthcare operations do not include elective medical, surgical, and dental procedures as established in accordance with Subsection 1(e) of this Order.
 - ii. **Essential Governmental Functions.** All services provided by local governments needed to ensure the continuing operation of the government agencies to provide for the health, safety and welfare of the public. Each governmental body will determine its Essential Governmental Functions



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and identify the employees and/or contractors necessary to the performance of those functions. Further, nothing in this order shall prohibit any individual from performing or accessing "Essential Governmental Functions." All Essential Governmental Functions shall be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet, to the extent possible. This Order does not apply to Federal or State Government.

- iii. **Essential Critical Infrastructure.** All public and private facilities and assets, including both physical and cyber systems, and other functions and sectors vital to the security, governance, and public health, safety of Dallas County. Critical infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, utilities such as electricity, gas, water and wastewater, roads and highways, public transportation, solid waste and recycle collection and removal, oil refining, roads and highways, public transportation, defense and national security-related operations, and manufacturing operations supplying essential items to Essential Businesses, Essential Governmental Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. All manufacturers and distributors shall comply with the Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors set out in Exhibit C. Critical Infrastructure employers should implement screening precautions to protect employees and all activity shall be performed in compliance with social distancing guidelines attached. For reference, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0, can be found here: <https://www.cisa.gov/publication/guidance-essential-critical-infrastructure-workforce>
- iv. **Stores that Sell Groceries and Other Essential Supplies.** Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, big-box stores, bodegas, liquor stores, convenience stores, and farmers' markets that sell food products and household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products. The sale of self-service food items is prohibited. Stores that sell groceries and other essential supplies shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- v. **Restaurants.** Restaurants with or without drive-in or drive-through services and microbreweries, micro-distilleries, or wineries may only provide take out, delivery, or drive-through services as allowed by law. In-person service is prohibited. Customers may order and pay inside, but are prohibited from waiting inside the restaurant for their food. All food must be brought outside to customers. To allow for increased access to restaurants, this Order hereby suspends all laws and regulations prohibiting people from walking in a drive-through.
- vi. **Food Cultivation.** Food cultivation, including farming, fishing, and livestock.
- vii. **Delivery of Groceries and Essential Supplies.** Businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, hygiene products, and essential supplies directly to



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residences or essential businesses. All businesses that deliver groceries and essential supplies shall comply with the rules set out in Exhibit E.

- viii. **Transportation.** Operation, maintenance, and repair of airlines, taxis, and other private transportation providers (such as Uber and Lyft) that provide transportation services necessary for the performance of essential activities and essential travel.
- ix. **Gas Stations and Businesses Needed for Transportation.** Gas stations, auto dealers, auto-supply stores, auto-repair, and bicycle repair. Gas stations and convenience stores are prohibited from selling self-service food items. Gas stations and businesses needed for transportation shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- x. **Critical Trades.** Plumbers, electricians, exterminators, janitors, lawn care services, pool cleaners, maintenance and security, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operations of residences, Essential Businesses, Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Critical Trade does not include discretionary maintenance or improvements. Union representatives and their staff for the purpose of performing critical labor union functions, including the maintenance of health and welfare funds and checking on the well-being and safety of members.
- xi. **Construction.** Construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited. Protecting construction worker from the spread of COVID19 is extremely important for their safety and for public health, all construction sites must follow the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition, including, but not limited to, the Rules for Construction Industry set out in Exhibit B. Failure to strictly comply with this Order can result in penalties described below. Additionally, the general contractor and non-compliant subcontractor can be removed from the essential business list.
- xii. **Professional Services.** Professional services, such as legal or accounting services, when necessary to assist in compliance with legally mandated activities or services necessary to avoid imminent harm to a client. Real estate and inspection services, so long as they comply with the rules set out in Exhibit F.
- xiii. **Financial Institutions.** Banks and related depository financial institutions, credit unions, insurance companies, title companies, payroll and accounting services. Check cashing businesses and pawnshops so long as they comply with the rules set out in Exhibit D. A copy of Exhibit D must be prominently displayed in each establishment in English and Spanish and a copy must also be provided to each customer in the customer's preferred language.
- xiv. **Information Technology Services/Telecommunications Services.** IT and IT services and their essential service vendors, including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and web-based services, and



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critical manufacturing, as well as telecommunications services, internet access and broadband/communications services.

- xv. **Essential Retail.** Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers, hardware stores, and related facilities. Firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security. Hardware stores and business that sell electrical, plumbing, and other materials necessary to support Essential Businesses, and Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Essential retail establishments shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- xvi. **Fabric Stores.** Stores that sell fabric, for the sole purpose of selling fabric and supplies necessary for the creation of fabric cloth coverings and masks and supplies necessary for home schooling students. Stores that sell fabric shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- xvii. **Hotels and Motels.** Hotels and motels, to the extent used for lodging or delivery or carry-out food services.
- xviii. **Short-Term Rentals.** Short-term rental of all or part of a residential property to a person who is not a permanent resident is prohibited. Within the meaning of this Order, a “permanent resident” is a person who has the right to use or possess a room at the residential property for at least 30 consecutive days, so long as there is no interruption of payment for the period. This Order does not prohibit short-term rental to hospital employees or other licensed healthcare professionals, military personnel, law enforcement personnel, government employees, or Dallas County residents who need a place to self-quarantine away from their family and/or roommates. Renters currently occupying short-term rental properties shall be permitted to complete the current rental contract but are required to follow the requirements of this order
- xix. **Providers of Basic Necessities to Economically Disadvantaged Populations.** Businesses or organizations that provide food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals.
- xx. **Essential Services Necessary to Maintain Essential Operations of Residences or Other Essential Businesses.** . Businesses or services that supply other Essential Businesses, Essential Government Services, and Critical Infrastructure with the support or supplies needed to operate; including but not limited to mail, shipping and delivery services, warehouse/distribution and fulfillment, storage, moving services, janitorial services, laundry services, computer, audio or video electronics, sanitary equipment, and medical equipment.. To the extent possible, services shall be provided in compliance with Social Distancing Rules attached, including distancing of six feet and routine use of hand sanitizer. All employers that are common carriers, motor carriers, private carriers, shippers, delivery services, moving companies and contract carriers that



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load or unload cargo, supplies, equipment or goods at any point located in Dallas County shall comply with the rules set out in Exhibit E.

- xxi. **Supplies to Work From Home and Home School Students.** Businesses that supply products needed for people to work from home and stores that sell supplies necessary for home schooling students. Stores that sell supplies for people to work from home shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
 - xxii. **Public and Private Education.** All schools are closed to in-person classroom attendance and shall not recommence before the end of the 2019-2020 school year. Public and private educational institutions may operate in-person only for the purposes of facilitating distance learning or performing essential functions, provided compliance with the Social Distancing Rules is maintained.
 - xxiii. **News Media.** Newspapers, television, radio, and other media services.
 - xxiv. **Childcare Services.** Childcare facilities providing services or community service providers offering childcare services under the following mandatory conditions:
 - 1. Childcare services shall only be provided to employees of Essential Businesses;
 - 2. Childcare must be carried out in stable groups of 12 or fewer ("stable" means that the same 12 or fewer children are in the same group each day);
 - 3. Children shall not change from one group to another;
 - 4. If more than one group of children is cared for at one facility, each group shall be in a separate room. Groups shall not mix with each other;
 - 5. Childcare providers shall remain solely with one group of children.
 - xxv. **Animal Care Services.** Animal shelters, veterinary care, and pet food and supply stores. Grooming, if necessary for the health and wellbeing of the animal. Pet daycare, but only for employees of Essential Businesses. To the greatest extent possible, all services must be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet. Pet food and supply stores shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
 - xxvi. **Religious and Worship Services.** The Office of the Dallas County Judge and the Health Authority strongly encourage religious and worship services be provided by audio, video, and teleconference whenever possible and that all individuals follow all CDC and County Social Distancing Guidelines including the six feet social distancing rule.
 - xxvii. **Funeral Services.** Funeral, mortuary, cremation, burial, cemetery, and related services, provided that social distancing of six feet per person is maintained to the greatest extent possible.
- d. For purposes of this Order, **Minimum Basic Operations** means the following, provided that employees comply with the Social Distancing Rules:



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- i. The minimum necessary activities to maintain the value of the business's inventory, ensure security, process payroll and employee benefits, or for related functions.
 - ii. The minimum necessary activities to facilitate employees of the business being able to continue to work remotely from their residences.
 - e. **Covering of Nose and Mouth:** Because an infected person can transmit the COVID-19 virus to others before showing any symptoms, the covering of a person's nose and mouth is necessary to help slow the spread of the virus. Effective at 11:59 p.m. on April 17, 2020, to the greatest extent possible all persons over the age of two (2) shall wear some form of covering over their nose and mouth, such as a homemade mask, scarf, bandana or handkerchief, when patronizing an Essential Business or using public transportation pursuant to the rules outlined in Exhibit G. Parents and Guardians of children under 10 shall be responsible for appropriately masking children pursuant to this Order. To the greatest extent possible, all non-medical employees who work at an Essential Businesses or perform services that are exempt under this Order must wear face coverings over their noses and mouths while performing their work. An owner or operator of an Essential Business may refuse admission or service to any individual who fails to wear face covering. Wearing a face covering is not a substitute for maintaining 6-foot social distancing and hand washing, as these remain important steps to slowing the spread of the virus. The enforcement provisions set forth in Section 3 of this Order shall not apply to any violation of this provision or Exhibit G and no law enforcement officer shall stop, detain, or arrest any person based on any such violation.
3. The Dallas County Sheriff's Office, the Dallas County Fire Marshal's Office, and other peace officers, are hereby authorized to enforce this Order. A violation of this order may be punishable through criminal or civil enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days.
4. Any manufacturer who retools their business for the purpose of manufacturing and producing ventilators, masks, personal protective equipment, or any supply necessary for Essential Healthcare Operations may apply for an "essential business" exemption under this Order. Apply for a business exemption at <https://www.dallascounty.org/covid-19/ways-to-help.php> under the "Apply for an Essential Business Exemption" tab.
5. All Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) Recovery Payments to individuals shall be exempt from "garnishment" as that term is described in Chapter 63 of the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code, except for garnishment for child support payments. All CARE Act Payments shall remain exempt from garnishment when deposited into an account in a financial institution. This provision is enacted to ensure Dallas County residents can use their CARES Act Recovery Payments for their housing, food, medical and other essential needs during the COVID-19 emergency period.
6. All public, private, and commercial laboratories operating within Dallas County and performing COVID-19 testing shall report by 5:00 p.m. each day for the prior 24-hour period:



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- a. The number of COVID-19 tests performed; and
- b. The number of positive COVID-19 tests.

Reports shall be made to Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins at Clay.Jenkins@dallascounty.org and Dallas County Health and Human Services Director Dr. Philip Huang at Philip.Huang@dallascounty.org. Reporting laboratories shall not provide names or any other identifiable health information that could be used to identify an individual patient.

7. Door-to-door solicitation creates an unnecessary face-to-face situation for residents who are home in greater numbers due to the closure of schools and businesses, potentially endangering the health of residents. Under this Order, door-to-door solicitation is prohibited, including the leaving of written materials on the door or mailbox of a residence. This provision does not apply to any business in the grocery supply chain or any non-profit providing community resources for those effected by the coronavirus. Nothing in this Order prohibits utility companies or government agencies from contacting individuals at their residences to perform their normal business functions.
8. Employers shall not implement any rules making a negative COVID-19 test or a note from a healthcare provider a requirement before a COVID-19 recovered employee can return to work.
9. Under this Order, no person shall sell any of the following goods or services for more than the regular retail price the person charged for the goods or services on March 16, 2020, except where an increased retail price is the result of increased supplier or other costs (including the loss of supplier supporting funds):
 - a. groceries, beverages, toilet articles, and ice;
 - b. restaurant, cafeteria, and boarding-house meals; and
 - c. medicine, pharmaceutical and medical equipment, and supplies.
10. Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, hospitals, and medical facilities are experiencing high levels of demand for a large number of products, requiring more deliveries from manufacturers and distribution centers to serve their customers. A number of Texas cities and local associations have implemented restrictions on delivery hours to stores to mitigate truck noise and traffic. Due to the need to deliver products as quickly and efficiently as possible during this critical timeframe, this Order hereby suspends all delivery hour restrictions for transport to or from any entity involved in the selling or distribution of food products, medicine, or medical supplies in Dallas County for the next 60 days.
11. Due to increased demand for bath or toilet tissue resulting from stock up buying and individuals who purchase for resale, a mandatory limit on toilet paper sales is instituted until the supply chain meets the demand or two weeks, whichever comes first. All sales of bath or toilet tissue occurring in Dallas County are limited to the greater of: (a) twelve (12) rolls per purchase or (b) one (1) package per purchase. This provision does not apply to the sale of bath or tissue paper to a government organization or essential business.
12. Due to the public health emergency, the Office of the Dallas County Judge hereby advises the Dallas County Justices of the Peace to suspend eviction hearings and writs of



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possession for at least the next 60 days to prevent renters from being displaced. Nothing in the moratorium relieves tenants of liability for unpaid rent. Landlords should cap late fees for delayed payment of rent at fifteen dollars (\$15) per month.

13. If someone in a household has tested positive for coronavirus, the household is ordered to isolate at home. Members of the household cannot go to work, school, or any other community function, except for workers included in Essential Healthcare Operations who may continue to work in accordance with CDC guidance.
14. Nursing homes, retirement, and long-term care facilities are instructed by this Order to prohibit non-essential visitors from accessing their facilities unless to provide critical assistance or for end-of-life visitation.
15. Public and private schools and institutions of higher education are instructed by this Order to provide a safety plan to Dallas County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management 72 hours before students return to a classroom setting.
16. Additionally, the Office of the Dallas County Judge and the Health Authority instructs all employees to remain at home if sick. Employees of private businesses and nonprofits with six (6) or more employees in the City of Dallas can use their paid sick leave when they are sick or to care for sick family members.
17. This Order shall be in effect until 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020, or until it is either rescinded, superseded, or amended pursuant to applicable law.
18. The County of Dallas must promptly provide copies of this Order by posting on the Dallas County Health and Human Services website. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is strongly encouraged to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED

CLAY JENKINS
DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE



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EXHIBIT A

Rules for Essential Retailers

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus and protective measures to be taken in all establishments.

Definition of Essential Retailers.

1. Stores that Sell Groceries and Other Essential Supplies. Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, big-box stores, bodegas, liquor stores, convenience stores, and farmers' markets that sell food products and household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products.
2. Gas Stations and Businesses Needed for Transportation. Gas stations, auto dealerships, auto-supply stores, auto-repair, and bicycle repair.
3. Other Essential Retailers. Stores that sell supplies necessary for the creation of fabric cloth coverings and masks and supplies necessary for home schooling students. Pet food and supply stores. Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers, hardware stores, and related facilities. Firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security. Hardware stores and business that sell electrical, plumbing, and other materials necessary to support Essential Businesses, and Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure.

Safety Rules for All Essential Retailers. All employers involved in essential retail activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to an Essential Retailer. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, an Essential Retailer must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all employees with a forehead thermometer before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
6. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;



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7. Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift.
8. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so employees may follow hygiene guidelines;
9. There shall be no adverse action taken against an employee who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the employee has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
10. Employers must designate both a member of management as the COVID-19 Safety Monitor and a senior hourly worker (that is not a member of management) as the COVID-19 Vice Safety Monitor at each store to have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

General Rules for Essential Retailers.

1. Employers shall implement an organized line system where employees, customers, and other persons are not less than six feet apart at all times;
2. To the greatest extent practicable, designate shopping times for at risk populations (seniors, pregnant people, and people with underlying health conditions);
3. To the greatest extent possible, implement a system to restrict the number of customers who are physically present at an Essential Retailer so that six foot spacing may be maintained;
4. Employers shall implement purchase limits on high-demand items (toilet paper, soap, hand sanitizer). These purchase limits do not apply to a government organization or essential business;
5. To the greatest extent possible, employers shall offer pick up services or delivery services of grocery items and other essential supplies; and
6. Self-service food stations are prohibited. Self-service stations are defined as items that customers use common serving utensils to serve themselves, including but not limited to, salad bars, hot dog stands, self-service bulk food items, and other related food items. This section does not apply to self-checkout stations, so long as the checkout stations are cleaned at least every 30 minutes.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any essential retailer who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT B

Rules for the Construction Industry

Reason for Construction Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Construction as Critical Infrastructure. The Order classified construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools as critical infrastructure. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited.

Requirements for Construction. All employers involved in construction activity must follow the requirements set forth in the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition, including the rules below:

1. All workers and contractors (hereafter referred to as “workers”) must take their temperature at their residence. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible, implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker or contractor has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
3. To the greatest extent possible, shift work must be implemented such that each shift shall have no more than fifty percent (50%) of the workers who were on shift on March 16, 2020. Once assigned to a shift, workers shall not change from one shift to another;
4. To the greatest extent possible, limit crossover of subcontractors;
5. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
6. Workers must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
7. Workers must not use a common water cooler. Employers shall provide individual water bottles or instruct workers to bring their own;
8. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
9. Employers must provide soap and water and hand sanitizer in the workplace, including all restrooms. Ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
10. If running water is available at the site, workers must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, when they remove gloves, and before and after the use of shared items such as tools or multi-user devices, before and after any meal or restroom breaks, and when their shift or work time ends.
11. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines;
12. Employers must provide one (1) working flushing toilet for every fifteen (15) workers on site or one (1) outdoor portable toilet for every 10 workers on site;
13. There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not



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- reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
14. Employers must designate a COVID-19 safety monitor on each site who has the authority to enforce these rules;

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any general contractor or subcontractor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT C

Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Definition of Critical Manufacturers and Distributors. This Order defines Critical Manufacturing and Distribution as the industries listed in the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0.

Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors. All employers involved in critical manufacturing and distribution activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work at a manufacturing or distribution center. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors check the temperature of all employees before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a six (6) foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. To the extent practicable, employers shall adjust shift timing to allow for greater physical distance between employees;
6. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
7. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms. Employers shall ensure that adequate supplies of soap and hand sanitizer are maintained;
8. Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to departing the work site.
9. Employers shall discourage employees from sharing work tools when possible.
10. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so employees may follow hygiene guidelines;
11. There shall be no adverse action taken against an employee who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
12. Employers must designate both a member of management as the COVID-19 Safety Monitor and a senior hourly employee (that is not a member of management), or a non-management



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employee if an hourly employee is not available, as the COVID-19 Vice Safety Monitor at each site to have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any manufacturer and distributor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT D

Rules for Financial Institutions

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

1. Check Cashing Businesses

Application. For the purpose of this Order, "Check Cashing Business" means a person or entity that for compensation engages, in whole or in part, in the business of cashing checks, drafts, money orders, traveler's checks or other instruments for the transmission or payment of money. This Order does not apply to a retail seller engaged primarily in the business of selling consumer goods, including consumables, to retail buyers that cash checks or issue money orders as a service to its customers that is incidental to its main purpose or business.

Interest and Fees. Fees shall not exceed 2% of the amount of the check, draft, or money order, or \$2, whichever is greater. Interest on a loan or advance of money shall not exceed 15% per annum of the total amount of the advance, provided that total fees associated with the loan do not exceed \$75, regardless of the name or type of charge. A check cashing business may charge only those charges expressly authorized in this Order in connection with a loan or advance issued.

Safety Rules. All check cashing businesses must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

- a) All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
- b) To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
- c) Employees must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
- d) Employers shall restrict the number of customers physically present in the store to only those people necessary to complete the transaction as determined by the customer. All other individuals must remain outside the store while the transaction is completed;
- e) Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
- f) Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Employers must ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
- g) Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift;



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- h) Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines; and
- i) There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy.

2. Pawnshops

Application. These rules apply to all locations or premises at which a pawnbroker regularly conducts business.

Interest and Fees. Interest on a loan of money extended pursuant to a pawn transaction shall not exceed 15% per annum of the total amount of the advance, provided that total fees associated with the loan do not exceed \$75, regardless of the name or type of charge. A pawnshop may charge only those charges expressly authorized in this Order in connection with a pawnshop loan.

Minimum Term Length. A pawnshop shall hold the goods pledged as collateral for at least 120 days after the end of the Emergency Declaration issued by Judge Jenkins or the end of the Emergency Declaration issued by Governor Abbott, whichever is later.

Safety Rules. All pawnshops must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

- a) All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
- b) To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
- c) Employees must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
- d) Employers shall restrict the number of customers so that only one customer is physically present in the store at a time;
- e) Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
- f) Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Employers must ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
- g) Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift;
- h) Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines; and
- i) There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to



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work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy.

3) **Enforcement**

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any financial institution who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT E

Rules for Common Carriers, Shipper, Delivery Services, and Related Companies

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Definition of Common Carriers. All employers which are common carriers, motor carriers, private carriers, shippers, delivery services, moving companies and contract carriers which load or unload cargo, supplies, equipment or goods at any point located in Dallas County.

Rules for Common Carriers. All employers involved in trucking, shipping, delivery and moving services, and related industries must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors check the temperature of all employees before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a six (6) foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. To the extent practicable, employers shall adjust shift timing to allow for greater physical distance between employees, including coordination between dispatch and scheduling so that there is no overlap between crews traveling to different locations;
6. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
7. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms. Employers shall ensure that adequate supplies of soap and hand sanitizer are maintained. Hand sanitizer must be available in each vehicle;
8. Workers must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift;
9. Employers must ensure that employees use gloves when handling shared tools or equipment (such as dollies, dock plates, and controls) and that employees wash their hands for at least 20 seconds after handling such tools or equipment;
10. To the greatest extent possible, drivers and other personnel should stay in their vehicles while the vehicles are being loaded and unloaded, unless required for employee safety;



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11. To the greatest extent possible, receipts, bills of lading, acknowledgements and other such documentation should be electronic so as minimize the need for personnel to physically sign and exchange documents;
12. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines;
13. There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) has not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
14. Employers must designate both a member of management and an employee who is not a member of management COVID-19 safety monitors at each of the business's warehouses, yards or other locations who have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any common carrier or related business who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT F

Rules for Real Estate Agents

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every Agent/Employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent exposure to coronavirus and protective measures to be taken in all real estate showing.

Definition of Real Estate Activity. For the purposes of this Order, real estate activity includes any activity governed by the Texas Real Estate License Act, the Inspector Act, the Residential Service Company Act, and the Timeshare Act.

Safety Rules for All Real Estate Agents/Employees. All realtors and their employees involved in essential real estate activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. Open Houses are prohibited;
2. All realtors and their employees (hereafter referred to as “realtors”) must take their temperature at their residence prior to any real estate showing. If an agent has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, they are prohibited from participating in any real estate showings and must remain at their residence;
3. Realtors and clients must travel to showings in separate vehicles;
4. Realtors, clients, and homeowners must follow the six-foot social distancing rule at all times;
5. Realtors and staff should limit in person contact and conduct business remotely as much as possible;
6. Realtors must wear a protective mask and provide new, unused protective masks to clients when touring a site;
7. Employers must designate a COVID-19 safety monitor at each real estate office who has the authority to enforce these rules;

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any realtor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT G

Guidance on Covering Nose and Mouth

A significant percentage of individuals with the COVID-19 virus lack symptoms. Because an infected person can transmit the virus to others before showing any symptoms, the covering of a person's nose and mouth when visiting an Essential Business is necessary to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. This is consistent with the findings of the CDC and Dallas County Health Authority.

Staying home is the best way to help reduce the spread of the virus, but if an individual must leave their place of residence to visit an Essential Business, wearing a fabric face mask shall be used as outlined in this Order. Wearing a face covering is not a substitute for maintaining 6-foot social distancing and hand washing, as these remain important steps to slowing the spread of the virus. The face coverings recommended are not surgical masks or N-95 respirators, which are critical supplies that must continue to be reserved for healthcare workers and first responders.

The public in general and Essential Business employees shall comply with the following:

- A. To the greatest extent possible, all persons over the age of two (2) shall wear some form of covering over their nose and mouth, such as a homemade mask, scarf, bandana or handkerchief, when:
 - 1) patronizing an Essential Business; and
 - 2) using public transportation, taxis, or ride shares.
- B. This section shall not apply to persons that are:
 - 1) riding in a personal vehicle;
 - 2) **that are alone in a separate single space;**
 - 3) **that are in the presence only of other members of their household or residence;**
 - 4) engaging in outdoor activity;
 - 5) eating; or
 - 6) when wearing a covering poses a greater mental or physical health, safety or security risk such as anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the cover without assistance.

Children under the age of two (including infants) should not wear cloth face coverings. Those between the ages of two and nine should use them but under adult supervision to ensure that the child can breathe safely and avoid choking or suffocation. Children with breathing problems should not wear a face covering. Parents and Guardians of children under 10 shall be responsible for appropriately masking children pursuant to this Order.

All COVID-19 Suspected Positives, those currently being tested, and untested individuals with cough and/or fever, and household members of same category of individuals shall not leave their residence without a mask or cloth face covering to prevent the spread to others.



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To the greatest extent possible, all individuals working for an Essential Business must wear a mask or cloth face covering whenever in public and whenever performing job duties in the presence of others. To the greatest extent possible, employers shall provide employees with a mask or face covering. An owner or operator of an Essential Business may refuse admission or service to any individual who fails to wear face covering.

Medical grade (N95) and surgical masks should be reserved and used only by medical professionals and first responders. Cloth face coverings are not intended for use by healthcare workers, first responders, and others whose work requires close contact with people who are ill.

Cloth coverings should be made in accordance with CDC Guidance, which can be found here: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html>



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DCHHS Social Distancing Rules

1) Vulnerable Populations: Limit Outings

- Vulnerable populations include people who are:
 - 60 years old and older.
 - People with certain health conditions such as heart disease, lung disease, diabetes, kidney disease and weakened immune systems.
- For vulnerable populations, don't go to gatherings unless it is essential. Stay home. Avoid people who are sick.

2) Workplace and Businesses: Minimize Exposure

- Suspend nonessential employee travel.
- Ensure employees practice social distancing and do not work within six feet of one another.
- Urge essential employees to stay home when they are sick and maximize flexibility in sick leave benefits.
- Do not require a doctor's note for employees who are sick.
- Maximize telecommuting options.
- Persons who need to be at work to provide essential services of great benefit to the community must take steps in their workplace to minimize risk.

3) Cancel Non-essential Events

- Cancel non-essential events.
- Do not attend any events or gatherings if sick.
- For events that aren't cancelled, we recommend:
 - Having hand washing capabilities, hand sanitizers and tissues available.
 - Frequently cleaning high touch surface areas like counter tops and hand rails.
 - Finding ways to implement social distancing.

4) Schools: Safety First

- Do not have your child attend school if sick.
- If you have a child with chronic health conditions, consult the child's doctor about school attendance.
- Schools should equip all classrooms with hand sanitizers and tissues.
- Recommend rescheduling or cancelling events that are not essential.
- Explore remote teaching and online options to continue learning.
- Schools should develop a plan for citywide school closures, and families should prepare for further closures.

5) Transit: Cleaning and Protection

- Increase cleaning of vehicles and high touch surface areas.
- Provide hand washing/hand sanitizers and tissues in stations and on vehicles.
- Ensure social distancing practices are implemented to the full extent possible.



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6) Health Care Settings: Avoid as possible, protect the vulnerable

- Long-term care facilities should have a COVID-19 plan in accordance with CDC or state guidelines.
- Long-term care facilities should restrict all visitation except for certain compassionate care situations, such as end of life situations.
- The general public should avoid going to medical settings such as hospitals, nursing homes and long-term care facilities, even if you are not ill.
- If you are ill, call your health care provider ahead of time, and you may be able to be served by phone.
- Do not visit emergency rooms unless it is essential.
- Follow guidance and directions of all facilities.

7) Everyone: Do your part

The best way for all Dallas County residents to reduce their risk of getting sick, as with seasonal colds or the flu, still applies to prevent COVID-19:

- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Cough or sneeze into your elbow or a tissue. Throw the tissue in the trash.
- Stay home if you are sick.
- Avoid touching your face.
- Try alternatives to shaking hands, like an elbow bump or wave.
- If you have recently returned from a country, state or region with ongoing COVID-19 infections, monitor your health and follow the instructions of public health officials and CDC guidance.

You can also prepare for the disruption caused by an outbreak. Preparedness actions include:

- Prepare to work from home if that is possible for your job, and your employer.
- Make sure you have a supply of all essential medications for your family.
- Prepare a child care plan if you or a caregiver are sick.
- Make arrangements about how your family will manage school closures.
- Plan for how you can care for a sick family member without getting sick yourself.
- Take care of each other and check in by phone with friends, family and neighbors that are vulnerable to serious illness or death if they get COVID-19.
- Keep common spaces clean to help maintain a healthy environment for you and others. Frequently touched surfaces should be cleaned regularly with disinfecting sprays, wipes or common household cleaning products.



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SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS ON REOPENED SERVICES AND FOOD PROCESSING PLANTS

DATE ORDER ISSUED: May 8, 2020

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency on March 12, 2020, due to a novel coronavirus now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Judge Jenkins issued an Order in furtherance of his authority to protect the safety and welfare of the public by slowing the spread of the virus;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump acknowledged the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic, releasing strict new guidelines to limit people's interactions, including that Americans should avoid groups of more than 10 people;

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Dallas County Commissioners Court issued an Order of Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Dallas County Emergency Management Plan and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster until 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2020, unless rescinded by order of the Commissioners Court.

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the World Health Organization indicated that the United States has the potential to become the center of the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, on April 27, 2020, Governor Abbott issued an Executive Order reopening certain businesses in Texas for in-person services so long as certain workplace safety rules are followed;

WHEREAS, this Supplemental Order is necessary to protect the lives, health, welfare, and safety of the County's residents from the devastating impacts of this pandemic;

THEREFORE, the May 4, 2020 Supplemental Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins is hereby AMENDED as follows:

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 418.108, DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS ORDERS:

1. Effective as of 1:00 p.m. on May 8, 2020, and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2020:
 - a. "Reopened Services" may operate in Dallas County in compliance with this Order. For purposes of this Order, "**Reopened Services**" means:
 - i. Retail services that may be provided through pickup, delivery by mail, or delivery to the customer's doorstep;
 - ii. In-store retail services, for retail establishments that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the retail establishment;
 - iii. Dine-in restaurant services, for restaurants that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the restaurant; provided, however, that (a)



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this applies only to restaurants that have less than 51 percent of their gross receipts from the sale of alcoholic beverages and are therefore not required to post the 51 percent sign required by Texas law as determined by the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, and (b) valet services are prohibited except for vehicles with placards or plates for disabled parking;

- iv. Movie theaters that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of any individual theater for any screening;
- v. Shopping malls that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the shopping mall; provided, however, that within shopping malls, the food court dining areas, play areas, and interactive displays and settings must remain closed;
- vi. Museums and libraries that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy; provided, however, that (a) local public museums and local public libraries may so operate only if permitted by the local government, and (b) any components of museums or libraries that have interactive functions or exhibits, including child play areas, must remain closed;
- vii. Services provided by an individual working alone in an office; and
- viii. Golf course operations.
- ix. Local government operations, including county and municipal governmental operations relating to permitting, recordation, and document-filing services, as determined by the local government.
- x. Starting at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, May 8, 2020:
 - 1. Cosmetology salons, hair salons, barber shops, nail salons/shops, and other establishments where licensed cosmetologists or barbers practice their trade; provided, however, that all such salons, shops, and establishments must ensure at least six feet of social distancing between operating work stations.
 - 2. Tanning salons; provided, however, that all such salons must ensure at least six feet of social distancing between operating work stations.
 - 3. Swimming pools; provided, however, that (1) indoor swimming pool is may operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the pool facility; (ii) outdoor swimming pools may operate at up to 25 percent of normal operating limits as determined by the pool operator; and (iii) local public swimming pools may so operate only if permitted by the local government.
- xi. Starting at 12:01 a.m. on Monday, May 18, 2020:
 - 1. Services provided by office workers in offices that operate at up to the greater of (i) five individuals, or (ii) 25 percent of the total office workforce; provided, however, that the individuals maintain appropriate social distancing.
 - 2. Manufacturing services, for facilities that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the facility.
 - 3. Gyms and exercise facilities and classes that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the gym or exercise facility;



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provided, however, that locker rooms and shower facilities must remain closed, but restrooms may open.

- b. Reopened Services must comply Minimum Standard Health Protocols, in *The Governor's Report to Open Texas*. For clarity, to the extent the Governor's Minimum Standard Health Protocols are recommendations, the Health Protocols are adopted as mandatory rules in Dallas County. Individuals, employers, employees, and customers in Dallas County must comply with the following applicable Minimum Standard Health Protocols, to the greatest extent possible:

- i. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for All Individuals.
- ii. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for All Employers.
- iii. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Retailers.
- iv. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Retail Customers.
- v. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Restaurants.
- vi. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Restaurant Customers.
- vii. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Movie Theaters.
- viii. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Movie Theater Customers.
- ix. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Museums and Libraries.
- x. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for All Museum and Library Visitors.
- xi. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Outdoor Sports Participants.
- xii. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Churches/Places of Worship.
- xiii. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Single-Person Offices.
- xiv. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Wedding Venues.
- xv. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Wedding Reception Venues.
- xvi. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Barber Shops.
- xvii. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Cosmetology / Hair Salons.
- xviii. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Nail Salons / Shops.
- xix. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Tanning Salons.
- xx. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Gyms / Exercise Facilities.
- xxi. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Manufacturers.
- xxii. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Office-Based Employers.

The Steps to Open Texas Business, which include the Minimum Standard Health Protocols, collectively, are attached as Exhibit C to these Emergency Regulations. Any reference to the geographic area of Texas in Order GA-21 shall instead mean the Dallas County. Whenever the phrase "Governor Abbott's executive order GA-21" is used in the Minimum Standard Health Protocols, it shall instead mean this Supplemental Order. Any reference to the word "recommended" in the Minimum Standard Health Protocols, adopted as part of these Emergency Regulations, shall instead mean "must comply to the greatest extent possible."

2. **Food Preparation and Processing Plants.** All food manufacturing and processing plants, including meat and poultry processing facilities, fruit and vegetable plants, dairy plants, and other food and beverage plants. In addition to OSHA and CDC guidelines, all food preparation and processing plants must follow the Rules for Food Preparation and Processing Plants set forth in Exhibit A.
3. **Covering of Nose and Mouth:** Because an infected person can transmit the COVID-19 virus to others before showing any symptoms, the covering of a person's nose and mouth



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is necessary to help slow the spread of the virus. To the greatest extent possible all persons over the age of two (2) shall wear some form of covering over their nose and mouth, such as a homemade mask, scarf, bandana or handkerchief, when patronizing an Essential Business or Reopened Service, or using public transportation pursuant to the rules outlined in Exhibit B. Parents and Guardians of children under 10 shall be responsible for appropriately masking children pursuant to this Order. To the greatest extent possible, all non-medical employees who work at an Essential Businesses and Reopened Service or perform services that are exempt under this Order must wear face coverings over their noses and mouths while performing their work. An owner or operator of an Essential Business or Reopened Service may refuse admission or service to any individual who fails to wear face covering. Wearing a face covering is not a substitute for maintaining 6-feet social distancing and hand washing, as these remain important steps to slowing the spread of the virus. The enforcement provisions set forth in this Order are not applicable to this cloth covering requirement and no law enforcement officer shall stop, detain, or arrest any person based on a person failing to wear a cloth covering or mask.

4. This Order shall be in effect until 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2020, or until it is either rescinded, superseded, or amended pursuant to applicable law.
5. The County of Dallas must promptly provide copies of this Order by posting on the Dallas County Health and Human Services website. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is strongly encouraged to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.
6. The Dallas County Sheriff's Office, the Dallas County Fire Marshal's Office, and other peace officers, are hereby authorized to enforce this Order. A violation of this order may be punishable through criminal or civil enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000.

IT IS SO ORDERED
CLAY JENKINS
DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE



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EXHIBIT A

Rules for Food Preparation and Processing Plants

Rules for Food Preparation and Processing Plants:

- Food preparation and processing plants shall implement a system whereby all employees take their temperature at home and upon arriving at work are screened for the following: new or worsening cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, loss of taste or smell, feeling feverish or an onsite measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit, or known close contact with a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19. Any employee who meets any of these criteria must be sent home;
- Employees must wash or disinfect hands upon entering the plant, after any interaction with other employees, and after the use of any shared items;
- To the greatest extent possible, all employees must wear cloth face coverings over the nose and mouth;
- Food preparation and processing plants shall regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces, such as restrooms, doorknobs, tables, and chairs;
- Remove turnstiles and other physical barriers at the entrance that would be touched by employees one after the other;
- Food preparation and processing plants shall implement a system by which all employees maintain at least 6 feet separation from one another and other individuals, including:
 - Mark out 6 foot distances for workers to stand in while they wait to punch in or create methods for employee time-tracking other than using a common time-clock to minimize workers congregating;
 - Stagger start, break and lunch times;
 - Mark out a 6 foot line in front of supervisor/management desk;
 - No meetings without 6 foot distances between chairs or people;
 - Identify areas where employees congregate – such as locker rooms, donning and doffing areas for PPE, breakrooms, etc. and ensure social distancing is possible in these areas;
 - Restrict specific areas of the plant to individuals who need to be in that area;
 - Consider physical barriers on the line or reduce line speeds so that lines can operate with fewer employees spaced further apart; and
 - To the greatest extent possible, create alternating shifts for different types of work activities, or split plant operations from one shift into two, to create situations in which fewer employees have to interact.



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EXHIBIT B

Guidance on Covering Nose and Mouth

A significant percentage of individuals with the COVID-19 virus lack symptoms. Because an infected person can transmit the virus to others before showing any symptoms, the covering of a person's nose and mouth when visiting an Essential Business or Reopened Service is necessary to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. This is consistent with the findings of the CDC and Dallas County Health Authority.

Staying home is the best way to help reduce the spread of the virus, but if an individual must leave their place of residence to visit an Essential Business or Reopened Service, wearing a fabric face mask shall be used as outlined in this Order. Wearing a face covering is not a substitute for maintaining 6-feet social distancing and hand washing, as these remain important steps to slowing the spread of the virus. The face coverings recommended are not surgical masks or N-95 respirators, which are critical supplies that must continue to be reserved for healthcare workers and first responders.

The public in general and Essential Business employees shall comply with the following:

- A. To the greatest extent possible, all persons over the age of two (2) shall wear some form of covering over their nose and mouth, such as a homemade mask, scarf, bandana or handkerchief, when:
 - 1) patronizing an Essential Business or Reopened Service; and
 - 2) using public transportation, taxis, or ride shares.
- B. This section shall not apply to persons that are:
 - 1) riding in a personal vehicle;
 - 2) that are alone in a separate single space, such as an enclosed office;
 - 3) that are in the presence only of other members of their household or residence;
 - 4) engaging in outdoor activity;
 - 5) eating; or
 - 6) when wearing a covering poses a greater mental or physical health, safety or security risk such as anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the cover without assistance.

Children under the age of two (including infants) should not wear cloth face coverings. Those between the ages of two and nine should use them but under adult supervision to ensure that the child can breathe safely and avoid choking or suffocation. Children with breathing problems should not wear a face covering. Parents and Guardians of children under 10 shall be responsible for appropriately masking children pursuant to this Order.

All COVID-19 Suspected Positives, those currently being tested, and untested individuals with cough and/or fever, and household members of same category of individuals shall not leave their residence without a mask or cloth face covering to prevent the spread to others.



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To the greatest extent possible, all individuals working for an Essential Business or Reopened Service must wear a mask or cloth face covering whenever in public and whenever performing job duties in the presence of others. To the greatest extent possible, employers shall provide employees with a mask or face covering. An owner or operator of an Essential Business or Reopened Service may refuse admission or service to any individual who fails to wear face covering.

The enforcement provisions set forth in this Order are not applicable to this cloth covering requirement and no law enforcement officer shall stop, detain, or arrest any person based on a person failing to wear a cloth covering or mask.

Medical grade (N95) and surgical masks should be reserved and used only by medical professionals and first responders. Cloth face coverings are not intended for use by healthcare workers, first responders, and others whose work requires close contact with people who are ill.

Cloth coverings should be made in accordance with CDC Guidance, which can be found here: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html>



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AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS REGARDING LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES

DATE ORDER ISSUED: May 8, 2020

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency on March 12, 2020, due to a novel coronavirus now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19;

WHEREAS, the on-going evaluation of circumstances related to the virus and the updated recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and the Texas Department of State Health Services warrant the March 12, 2020 Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins be amended;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump acknowledged the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic, releasing strict new guidelines to limit people's interactions, including that Americans should avoid groups of more than 10 people; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Dallas County Commissioners Court issued an Order of Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Dallas County Emergency Management Plan and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster until 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020, unless rescinded by order of the Commissioners Court.

THEREFORE, County Judge Clay Jenkins issue this Order. This Order does not supersede or replace any other orders issued by Judge Jenkins pursuant to and under the authority of the Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency and such other orders remain in full force and effect pursuant to their terms:

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 418.108, DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS ORDERS:

1. This Order shall be in effect beginning at 1:00 p.m. on May 8, 2020 and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2020, or until it is either rescinded, superseded, or amended pursuant to applicable law.
2. This Order applies to all Long-Term Care Facilities, including Skilled Nursing Facilities and Assisted Living Facilities, and Nursing Homes (henceforth referred to as "Facilities") in Dallas County, Texas.
3. If a resident of a Facility is identified with a COVID-19 diagnosis, the Facility shall do the following:
 - a. Immediately notify all staff (from all levels of care or any job description within the Facility) that a resident has been diagnosed with COVID-19. This notification shall be done in staff meetings, by phone or text message or email.
 - b. All residents (in all levels of care within the Facility) who are mentally competent shall be informed immediately that a resident has been diagnosed with COVID-



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19. If the Facility learns of the diagnosis while the resident is asleep, the resident shall be notified immediately after they wake. The Facility shall insure that the notification is documented and maintained in its records, including noting the time and method of delivery of the notification.

c. Family members and responsible parties of all residents (in all levels of care within a facility with the exception of independent living) shall be informed immediately by phone, text message or email.

d. The Dallas County Probate Courts shall be informed immediately that a resident of the facility has been diagnosed with COVID-19. The Facility shall send notification by email to LaNasha D. Houze, Director of Operations for the Dallas County Probate Courts, at LaNasha.Houze@dallascounty.org.

e. A notification statement of diagnosis of COVID-19 in a resident shall also be posted for public access within 30 minutes of identification of a case. The notice shall be posted at the main entrance to the Facility and prominently displayed on the Facility website. This website posting must be on the Facility local webpage in addition to the Facility corporate website.

f. Proof of the completion of all notifications in 3(a)-3(d) shall be provided to Dallas County Health and Human Services within six business hours of the identification of a resident's diagnosis of COVID-19. For purposes of this subsection, business hours are from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

4. After the first positive test of a staff member or resident, a Facility must test all residents and staff of the Facility for COVID-19. Facilities with current positive cases and that have not done comprehensive testing must conduct an assessment of their current infection levels by testing all staff and residents who were either not previously tested or were tested previously but are now exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19. Facilities must coordinate testing of Facility staff and residents with Dallas County Health and Human Services.

a. Facilities must provide Dallas County Health and Human Services, or any provider performing testing on behalf of DCHHS, access to residents and staff for COVID-19 testing.

b. Facilities cannot deter residents or staff from receiving a COVID-19 test.

5. If an Facility has any resident with a diagnoses of COVID-19, the Facility shall institute the following measures within the same level of care:

a. All health care personnel must wear facemasks while in the Facility and consider having all health care personnel wear all recommended personal protective equipment ("PPE") (gown, gloves, eye protection, N95 respirator or, if not available, a facemask) for the care of all residents, regardless of presence of symptoms. The Facility should also implement protocols for extended use of eye protection and facemasks. The Facility shall insure that all health care personnel must have temperature and symptom checks prior to each shift. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;



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- b. The facility will be closed to new admissions and will also close all services, including outpatient rehabilitation. Facilities cannot accept new admissions until the Facility goes 30 consecutive days without any COVID-19 diagnosis of a resident or staff member. This provision does not apply to a COVID-19 Facility, as designated by the Dallas County Health Authority, which receives convalescing COVID-19 patients from acute care hospitals.
 - c. Any and all of the staff at the Facility shall not work at any Facility other than the impacted Facility, and the administrator any Facility shall keep a list of all employees who have worked at any other Facilities, including the name and contact information for the administrator at the other Facility.
6. Hospitals and surgical centers shall test all patients for COVID-19 before referring the patient to a Facility.
 - a. Hospitals and surgical centers shall test patients for COVID-19 regardless of whether the patient is exhibiting symptoms or not.
 - b. Hospitals and surgical centers shall provide the patient's COVID-19 test results in writing to the referring Facility before the patient may be transferred from the hospital or surgical center to the Facility.
7. Any standards prohibiting improper transfer of patients under this Order will be strictly enforced.
8. If a Facility has any resident with a diagnoses of COVID-19, the Facility may allow transfer of a resident to home care, but only after a patient has been tested as negative for COVID-19. In the case of such a transfer, the Facility must provide a copy of this order to those in the household to which the resident is being transferred. Those persons in the household to which the resident is transferred are ordered to isolate at home for 14 days. Members of the household cannot go to work, school, or any other community function, except for workers included in Essential Healthcare Operations who may continue to work in accordance with CDC guidance.
9. If a Facility has any resident with a diagnosis of COVID-19, the Facility may allow transfer of a resident to a hospital, but only after the Facility has provided notice to the receiving hospital that the patient is coming from a Facility with identified COVID-19. If the patient is transferred by ambulance, the Facility must also provide notice to the ambulance providers that the patient is coming from a Facility with identified COVID-19. The hospital may transfer the resident back to the same Facility that initially transferred the patient.
10. Facilities can accept convalescing (recovering) patients with COVID-19 if they are no longer deemed infectious as per CDC and local health authority guidelines.
11. Facilities can accept new admissions if the individuals are transferred from a facility closed by state health authorities.



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12. The Facility shall inform the Texas Health and Human Services Commission of all COVID-19 cases, the same day of identification of each new case. The notification must also include a tally of total cases.

13. The County of Dallas must promptly provide copies of this Order by posting on the Dallas County Health and Human Services website. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is required to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED

CLAY JENKINS
DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE

NOTE: This Amendment No. 9 to Exhibit B has been replaced.

SEE AMENDMENT No. 11 to EXHIBIT B (Page 039).

**AMENDMENT NO. 9
TO
EXHIBIT B
To Ordinance No. 4773**

AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS
Safer-At-Home, dated April 23, 2020

And

SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS
On Reopened Services and Food Processing Plant dated May 4, 2020



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AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS

Safer At Home Order

DATE AMENDED ORDER ISSUED: April 23, 2020

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency on March 12, 2020, due to a novel coronavirus now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Judge Jenkins issued an Order in furtherance of his authority to protect the safety and welfare of the public by slowing the spread of the virus;

WHEREAS, the on-going evaluation of circumstances related to the virus and the updated recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and the Texas Department of State Health Services warrant the March 12, 2020 Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins be amended;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump acknowledged the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic, releasing strict new guidelines to limit people's interactions, including that Americans should avoid groups of more than 10 people;

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Dallas County Commissioners Court issued an Order of Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Dallas County Emergency Management Plan and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster until 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2020, unless rescinded by order of the Commissioners Court.

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the World Health Organization indicated that the United States has the potential to become the center of the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, this Emergency Order is necessary because of the propensity of the virus to spread person to person and also because the virus is physically causing property damage due to its proclivity to attach to surfaces for prolonged periods of time;

WHEREAS, this Emergency Order is necessary to protect the lives, health, welfare, and safety of the County's residents from the devastating impacts of this pandemic;

THEREFORE, the March 12, 2020, Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins is hereby AMENDED as follows:

Summary: The virus that causes 2019 Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) is easily transmitted through person to person contact, especially in group settings, and it is essential that the spread of the virus be slowed to protect the ability of public and private health care providers to handle the influx of new patients and safeguard public health and safety. Because of the risk of the rapid spread of the virus, and the need to protect the most vulnerable members of the community, this Order requires all individuals anywhere in Dallas County to shelter in place – that is, stay at home – except for certain essential activities and work to provide essential business and government services or perform essential public infrastructure construction, including housing. This Order



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takes effect Noon on April 23, 2020 and will continue through 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2020, subject to the limited exceptions and under the terms and conditions more particularly set forth below.

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 418.108, DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS ORDERS:

1. Effective as of Noon on April 23, 2020, and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2020:
 - (a) All individuals currently living within Dallas County are ordered to shelter at their place of residence. For the purposes of this Order, residences include hotels, motels, shared rentals, and similar facilities. To the extent individuals are using shared or outdoor spaces, they must at all times as reasonably as possible maintain social distancing of at least six feet from any other person when they are outside their residence. All persons may leave their residences only for Essential Activities, Reopened Services, or to provide or perform Essential Governmental Functions, or to operate Essential Businesses, all as defined in Section 2.
 - (b) All businesses operating within Dallas County, except Essential Businesses and Reopened Services as defined in below in Section 2, are required to cease all activities at facilities located within the County except Minimum Basic Operations as defined in Section 2. For clarity, businesses may continue operations consisting exclusively of employees or contractors performing activities at their own residences (i.e. working from home). To the greatest extent possible, all Essential Businesses shall comply with the Social Distancing Rules attached, including maintaining six feet social distancing for both employees and the general public.
 - (c) Employees of Essential Businesses and Reopened Services, whose physical presence at the workplace is not essential to operations, are directed to use telecommuting to the fullest extent possible.
 - (d) All public or private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit are prohibited, except as otherwise provided herein. Nothing in this Order prohibits the gathering of members of a household or living unit.
2. Definitions:
 - a. For purposes of this Order, individuals may leave their residence only to perform any of the following “**Essential Activities**”:
 - i. To engage in activities or perform tasks essential to their health and safety, or to the health and safety of their family or household members (for example, obtaining medical supplies or medication, visiting a health care professional, or obtaining supplies need to work from home).
 - ii. To obtain necessary services or supplies for themselves and their family or household members, or to deliver those services or supplies to others (for example, food, pet supply, and any other household consumer products, and products necessary to maintain the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences).



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- iii. To engage in outdoor activity, provided the individuals comply with social distancing requirements of six feet (for example, walking, biking, hiking, running, golfing, and tennis).
 - iv. To perform work providing essential products and services at an Essential Business or to otherwise carry out activities specifically permitted in this Order.
 - v. To care for a family member or pet in another household.
 - vi. To move to another residence either in or outside Dallas County.
 - vii. To engage in **"Essential Travel,"** which includes travel for any of the following purposes: (1) travel related to the provision of or access to Essential Activities, Essential Governmental Functions, Essential Businesses, Reopened Services, Essential Critical Infrastructure, and Minimum Basic Operation; (2) travel to care for elderly, minors, dependents, persons with disabilities, or other vulnerable persons; (3) travel to or from educational institutions for purposes of receiving materials for distance learning, for receiving meals, and any other related services; (4) travel to return to a place of residence from outside the jurisdiction; (5) travel required by law enforcement or court order; (6) travel by church staff or clergy for the purpose of production of remote delivery of religious services and other ministries requiring travel; (7) travel related to attending a funeral service; or (8) travel required for non-residents to return to their place of residence outside the County.
- b. For purposes of this Order, **"Reopened Services"** means:
- i. Retail services that are not "Essential Businesses" under this Order.
 - ii. Effective 12:01 a.m. on Friday, April 24, 2020, Reopened Services shall be provided only through pickup, delivery by mail, or delivery to the customer's doorstep. Customers may not enter the premises.
 - iii. All Reopened Services shall comply with the following requirements:
 - 1. All employees must be trained on environmental cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
 - 2. All employees must be screened before coming into the business for new or worsening cough; shortness of breath; sore throat; loss of taste or smell; feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit; or known close contact with a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19. Any employee who meets any of these criteria must be sent home.
 - 3. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas.
 - 4. Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, after each interaction with a customer, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift.
 - 5. All employees must wear face coverings.



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6. Employees must maintain at least 6 feet separation from one another.
- iv. All Reopened Services providing services through Retail-to-Go shall comply with the following conditions:
 1. All payments shall be done over the phone or internet if possible, and contact shall be minimized if remote payment is not available.
 2. Purchased items shall be delivered by the employee to the backseat or trunk of the customer's vehicle whenever possible to minimize physical contact with the customer.
 3. Employees must wash or sanitize their hands after each interaction with a customer, and whenever possible, must disinfect any item that came into contact with the customer.
- v. All Reopened Services providing services through delivery to a customer's residence or business shall comply with the following conditions:
 1. All payments shall be done over the phone or internet if possible, and contact shall be minimized if remote payment is not available.
 2. Purchased items shall be delivered by an employee or third-party carrier and delivered to the customer's residence or business. The employee or third-party carrier may not enter the customer's house or business.
- vi. All Reopened Services providing services through delivery by mail shall comply with the following conditions:
 1. All payments must be done over the phone or internet.
 2. Purchased items shall be delivered by mail without customer contact.
- c. For purposes of this Order, "**Essential Businesses**" means:
 - i. **Essential Healthcare Operations.** Healthcare Operations includes but is not limited to hospitals, clinics, dentists, chiropractors, physical therapy, optometry offices, pharmacies, pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, other healthcare facilities, healthcare suppliers, mental health providers, substance abuse service providers, blood banks, medical research, laboratory services, certified doulas, or any related and/or ancillary healthcare services. Home-based and residential-based care for seniors, adults, or children are also considered healthcare operations. Healthcare operations also includes veterinary care and all health and welfare services provided to animals. This exemption shall be viewed broadly to avoid any impacts to the delivery of healthcare. Healthcare operations do not include fitness and exercise gyms, personal training, gymnastics studios, and similar facilities. Healthcare operations do not include elective medical, surgical, and dental procedures as established in accordance with Subsection 1(e) of this Order.
 - ii. **Essential Governmental Functions.** All services provided by local governments needed to ensure the continuing operation of the government agencies to provide for the health, safety and welfare of the public. Each governmental body will determine its Essential Governmental Functions



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and identify the employees and/or contractors necessary to the performance of those functions. Further, nothing in this order shall prohibit any individual from performing or accessing "Essential Governmental Functions." All Essential Governmental Functions shall be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet, to the extent possible. This Order does not apply to Federal or State Government.

- iii. **Essential Critical Infrastructure.** All public and private facilities and assets, including both physical and cyber systems, and other functions and sectors vital to the security, governance, and public health, safety of Dallas County. Critical infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, utilities such as electricity, gas, water and wastewater, roads and highways, public transportation, solid waste and recycle collection and removal, oil refining, roads and highways, public transportation, defense and national security-related operations, and manufacturing operations supplying essential items to Essential Businesses, Essential Governmental Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. All manufacturers and distributors shall comply with the Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors set out in Exhibit C. Critical Infrastructure employers should implement screening precautions to protect employees and all activity shall be performed in compliance with social distancing guidelines attached. For reference, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0, can be found here: <https://www.cisa.gov/publication/guidance-essential-critical-infrastructure-workforce>
- iv. **Stores that Sell Groceries and Other Essential Supplies.** Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, big-box stores, bodegas, liquor stores, convenience stores, and farmers' markets that sell food products and household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products. The sale of self-service food items is prohibited. Stores that sell groceries and other essential supplies shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- v. **Restaurants.** Restaurants with or without drive-in or drive-through services and microbreweries, micro-distilleries, or wineries may only provide take out, delivery, or drive-through services as allowed by law. In-person service is prohibited. Customers may order and pay inside, but are prohibited from waiting inside the restaurant for their food. All food must be brought outside to customers. To allow for increased access to restaurants, this Order hereby suspends all laws and regulations prohibiting people from walking in a drive-through.
- vi. **Food Cultivation.** Food cultivation, including farming, fishing, and livestock.
- vii. **Delivery of Groceries and Essential Supplies.** Businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, hygiene products, and essential supplies directly to



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residences or essential businesses. All businesses that deliver groceries and essential supplies shall comply with the rules set out in Exhibit E.

- viii. **Transportation.** Operation, maintenance, and repair of airlines, taxis, and other private transportation providers (such as Uber and Lyft) that provide transportation services necessary for the performance of essential activities and essential travel.
- ix. **Gas Stations and Businesses Needed for Transportation.** Gas stations, auto dealers, auto-supply stores, auto-repair, and bicycle repair. Gas stations and convenience stores are prohibited from selling self-service food items. Gas stations and businesses needed for transportation shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- x. **Critical Trades.** Plumbers, electricians, exterminators, janitors, lawn care services, pool cleaners, maintenance and security, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operations of residences, Essential Businesses, Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Critical Trade does not include discretionary maintenance or improvements. Union representatives and their staff for the purpose of performing critical labor union functions, including the maintenance of health and welfare funds and checking on the well-being and safety of members.
- xi. **Construction.** Construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited. Protecting construction worker from the spread of COVID19 is extremely important for their safety and for public health, all construction sites must follow the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition, including, but not limited to, the Rules for Construction Industry set out in Exhibit B. Failure to strictly comply with this Order can result in penalties described below. Additionally, the general contractor and non-compliant subcontractor can be removed from the essential business list.
- xii. **Professional Services.** Professional services, such as legal or accounting services, when necessary to assist in compliance with legally mandated activities or services necessary to avoid imminent harm to a client. Real estate and inspection services, so long as they comply with the rules set out in Exhibit F.
- xiii. **Financial Institutions.** Banks and related depository financial institutions, credit unions, insurance companies, title companies, payroll and accounting services. Check cashing businesses and pawnshops so long as they comply with the rules set out in Exhibit D. A copy of Exhibit D must be prominently displayed in each establishment in English and Spanish and a copy must also be provided to each customer in the customer's preferred language.
- xiv. **Information Technology Services/Telecommunications Services.** IT and IT services and their essential service vendors, including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and web-based services, and



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critical manufacturing, as well as telecommunications services, internet access and broadband/communications services.

- xv. **Essential Retail.** Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers, hardware stores, and related facilities. Firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security. Hardware stores and business that sell electrical, plumbing, and other materials necessary to support Essential Businesses, and Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Essential retail establishments shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- xvi. **Fabric Stores.** Stores that sell fabric, for the sole purpose of selling fabric and supplies necessary for the creation of fabric cloth coverings and masks and supplies necessary for home schooling students. Stores that sell fabric shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- xvii. **Hotels and Motels.** Hotels and motels, to the extent used for lodging or delivery or carry-out food services.
- xviii. **Short-Term Rentals.** Short-term rental of all or part of a residential property to a person who is not a permanent resident is prohibited. Within the meaning of this Order, a “permanent resident” is a person who has the right to use or possess a room at the residential property for at least 30 consecutive days, so long as there is no interruption of payment for the period. This Order does not prohibit short-term rental to hospital employees or other licensed healthcare professionals, military personnel, law enforcement personnel, government employees, or Dallas County residents who need a place to self-quarantine away from their family and/or roommates. Renters currently occupying short-term rental properties shall be permitted to complete the current rental contract but are required to follow the requirements of this order
- xix. **Providers of Basic Necessities to Economically Disadvantaged Populations.** Businesses or organizations that provide food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals.
- xx. **Essential Services Necessary to Maintain Essential Operations of Residences or Other Essential Businesses.** . Businesses or services that supply other Essential Businesses, Essential Government Services, and Critical Infrastructure with the support or supplies needed to operate; including but not limited to mail, shipping and delivery services, warehouse/distribution and fulfillment, storage, moving services, janitorial services, laundry services, computer, audio or video electronics, sanitary equipment, and medical equipment.. To the extent possible, services shall be provided in compliance with Social Distancing Rules attached, including distancing of six feet and routine use of hand sanitizer. All employers that are common carriers, motor carriers, private carriers, shippers, delivery services, moving companies and contract carriers that



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load or unload cargo, supplies, equipment or goods at any point located in Dallas County shall comply with the rules set out in Exhibit E.

- xxi. **Supplies to Work From Home and Home School Students.** Businesses that supply products needed for people to work from home and stores that sell supplies necessary for home schooling students. Stores that sell supplies for people to work from home shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
 - xxii. **Public and Private Education.** All schools are closed to in-person classroom attendance and shall not recommence before the end of the 2019-2020 school year. Public and private educational institutions may operate in-person only for the purposes of facilitating distance learning or performing essential functions, provided compliance with the Social Distancing Rules is maintained.
 - xxiii. **News Media.** Newspapers, television, radio, and other media services.
 - xxiv. **Childcare Services.** Childcare facilities providing services or community service providers offering childcare services under the following mandatory conditions:
 - 1. Childcare services shall only be provided to employees of Essential Businesses;
 - 2. Childcare must be carried out in stable groups of 12 or fewer ("stable" means that the same 12 or fewer children are in the same group each day);
 - 3. Children shall not change from one group to another;
 - 4. If more than one group of children is cared for at one facility, each group shall be in a separate room. Groups shall not mix with each other;
 - 5. Childcare providers shall remain solely with one group of children.
 - xxv. **Animal Care Services.** Animal shelters, veterinary care, and pet food and supply stores. Grooming, if necessary for the health and wellbeing of the animal. Pet daycare, but only for employees of Essential Businesses. To the greatest extent possible, all services must be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet. Pet food and supply stores shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
 - xxvi. **Religious and Worship Services.** The Office of the Dallas County Judge and the Health Authority strongly encourage religious and worship services be provided by audio, video, and teleconference whenever possible and that all individuals follow all CDC and County Social Distancing Guidelines including the six feet social distancing rule.
 - xxvii. **Funeral Services.** Funeral, mortuary, cremation, burial, cemetery, and related services, provided that social distancing of six feet per person is maintained to the greatest extent possible.
- d. For purposes of this Order, **Minimum Basic Operations** means the following, provided that employees comply with the Social Distancing Rules:



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- i. The minimum necessary activities to maintain the value of the business's inventory, ensure security, process payroll and employee benefits, or for related functions.
 - ii. The minimum necessary activities to facilitate employees of the business being able to continue to work remotely from their residences.
 - e. **Covering of Nose and Mouth:** Because an infected person can transmit the COVID-19 virus to others before showing any symptoms, the covering of a person's nose and mouth is necessary to help slow the spread of the virus. Effective at 11:59 p.m. on April 17, 2020, to the greatest extent possible all persons over the age of two (2) shall wear some form of covering over their nose and mouth, such as a homemade mask, scarf, bandana or handkerchief, when patronizing an Essential Business or using public transportation pursuant to the rules outlined in Exhibit G. Parents and Guardians of children under 10 shall be responsible for appropriately masking children pursuant to this Order. To the greatest extent possible, all non-medical employees who work at an Essential Businesses or perform services that are exempt under this Order must wear face coverings over their noses and mouths while performing their work. An owner or operator of an Essential Business may refuse admission or service to any individual who fails to wear face covering. Wearing a face covering is not a substitute for maintaining 6-foot social distancing and hand washing, as these remain important steps to slowing the spread of the virus. The enforcement provisions set forth in Section 3 of this Order shall not apply to any violation of this provision or Exhibit G and no law enforcement officer shall stop, detain, or arrest any person based on any such violation.
3. The Dallas County Sheriff's Office, the Dallas County Fire Marshal's Office, and other peace officers, are hereby authorized to enforce this Order. A violation of this order may be punishable through criminal or civil enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days.
4. Any manufacturer who retools their business for the purpose of manufacturing and producing ventilators, masks, personal protective equipment, or any supply necessary for Essential Healthcare Operations may apply for an "essential business" exemption under this Order. Apply for a business exemption at <https://www.dallascounty.org/covid-19/ways-to-help.php> under the "Apply for an Essential Business Exemption" tab.
5. All Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) Recovery Payments to individuals shall be exempt from "garnishment" as that term is described in Chapter 63 of the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code, except for garnishment for child support payments. All CARE Act Payments shall remain exempt from garnishment when deposited into an account in a financial institution. This provision is enacted to ensure Dallas County residents can use their CARES Act Recovery Payments for their housing, food, medical and other essential needs during the COVID-19 emergency period.
6. All public, private, and commercial laboratories operating within Dallas County and performing COVID-19 testing shall report by 5:00 p.m. each day for the prior 24-hour period:



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- a. The number of COVID-19 tests performed; and
- b. The number of positive COVID-19 tests.

Reports shall be made to Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins at Clay.Jenkins@dallascounty.org and Dallas County Health and Human Services Director Dr. Philip Huang at Philip.Huang@dallascounty.org. Reporting laboratories shall not provide names or any other identifiable health information that could be used to identify an individual patient.

7. Door-to-door solicitation creates an unnecessary face-to-face situation for residents who are home in greater numbers due to the closure of schools and businesses, potentially endangering the health of residents. Under this Order, door-to-door solicitation is prohibited, including the leaving of written materials on the door or mailbox of a residence. This provision does not apply to any business in the grocery supply chain or any non-profit providing community resources for those effected by the coronavirus. Nothing in this Order prohibits utility companies or government agencies from contacting individuals at their residences to perform their normal business functions.
8. Employers shall not implement any rules making a negative COVID-19 test or a note from a healthcare provider a requirement before a COVID-19 recovered employee can return to work.
9. Under this Order, no person shall sell any of the following goods or services for more than the regular retail price the person charged for the goods or services on March 16, 2020, except where an increased retail price is the result of increased supplier or other costs (including the loss of supplier supporting funds):
 - a. groceries, beverages, toilet articles, and ice;
 - b. restaurant, cafeteria, and boarding-house meals; and
 - c. medicine, pharmaceutical and medical equipment, and supplies.
10. Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, hospitals, and medical facilities are experiencing high levels of demand for a large number of products, requiring more deliveries from manufacturers and distribution centers to serve their customers. A number of Texas cities and local associations have implemented restrictions on delivery hours to stores to mitigate truck noise and traffic. Due to the need to deliver products as quickly and efficiently as possible during this critical timeframe, this Order hereby suspends all delivery hour restrictions for transport to or from any entity involved in the selling or distribution of food products, medicine, or medical supplies in Dallas County for the next 60 days.
11. Due to increased demand for bath or toilet tissue resulting from stock up buying and individuals who purchase for resale, a mandatory limit on toilet paper sales is instituted until the supply chain meets the demand or two weeks, whichever comes first. All sales of bath or toilet tissue occurring in Dallas County are limited to the greater of: (a) twelve (12) rolls per purchase or (b) one (1) package per purchase. This provision does not apply to the sale of bath or tissue paper to a government organization or essential business.
12. Due to the public health emergency, the Office of the Dallas County Judge hereby advises the Dallas County Justices of the Peace to suspend eviction hearings and writs of



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possession for at least the next 60 days to prevent renters from being displaced. Nothing in the moratorium relieves tenants of liability for unpaid rent. Landlords should cap late fees for delayed payment of rent at fifteen dollars (\$15) per month.

13. If someone in a household has tested positive for coronavirus, the household is ordered to isolate at home. Members of the household cannot go to work, school, or any other community function, except for workers included in Essential Healthcare Operations who may continue to work in accordance with CDC guidance.
14. Nursing homes, retirement, and long-term care facilities are instructed by this Order to prohibit non-essential visitors from accessing their facilities unless to provide critical assistance or for end-of-life visitation.
15. Public and private schools and institutions of higher education are instructed by this Order to provide a safety plan to Dallas County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management 72 hours before students return to a classroom setting.
16. Additionally, the Office of the Dallas County Judge and the Health Authority instructs all employees to remain at home if sick. Employees of private businesses and nonprofits with six (6) or more employees in the City of Dallas can use their paid sick leave when they are sick or to care for sick family members.
17. This Order shall be in effect until 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020, or until it is either rescinded, superseded, or amended pursuant to applicable law.
18. The County of Dallas must promptly provide copies of this Order by posting on the Dallas County Health and Human Services website. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is strongly encouraged to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED

CLAY JENKINS
DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE



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EXHIBIT A

Rules for Essential Retailers

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus and protective measures to be taken in all establishments.

Definition of Essential Retailers.

1. Stores that Sell Groceries and Other Essential Supplies. Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, big-box stores, bodegas, liquor stores, convenience stores, and farmers' markets that sell food products and household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products.
2. Gas Stations and Businesses Needed for Transportation. Gas stations, auto dealerships, auto-supply stores, auto-repair, and bicycle repair.
3. Other Essential Retailers. Stores that sell supplies necessary for the creation of fabric cloth coverings and masks and supplies necessary for home schooling students. Pet food and supply stores. Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers, hardware stores, and related facilities. Firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security. Hardware stores and business that sell electrical, plumbing, and other materials necessary to support Essential Businesses, and Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure.

Safety Rules for All Essential Retailers. All employers involved in essential retail activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to an Essential Retailer. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, an Essential Retailer must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all employees with a forehead thermometer before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
6. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;



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7. Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift.
8. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so employees may follow hygiene guidelines;
9. There shall be no adverse action taken against an employee who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the employee has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
10. Employers must designate both a member of management as the COVID-19 Safety Monitor and a senior hourly worker (that is not a member of management) as the COVID-19 Vice Safety Monitor at each store to have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

General Rules for Essential Retailers.

1. Employers shall implement an organized line system where employees, customers, and other persons are not less than six feet apart at all times;
2. To the greatest extent practicable, designate shopping times for at risk populations (seniors, pregnant people, and people with underlying health conditions);
3. To the greatest extent possible, implement a system to restrict the number of customers who are physically present at an Essential Retailer so that six foot spacing may be maintained;
4. Employers shall implement purchase limits on high-demand items (toilet paper, soap, hand sanitizer). These purchase limits do not apply to a government organization or essential business;
5. To the greatest extent possible, employers shall offer pick up services or delivery services of grocery items and other essential supplies; and
6. Self-service food stations are prohibited. Self-service stations are defined as items that customers use common serving utensils to serve themselves, including but not limited to, salad bars, hot dog stands, self-service bulk food items, and other related food items. This section does not apply to self-checkout stations, so long as the checkout stations are cleaned at least every 30 minutes.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any essential retailer who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT B

Rules for the Construction Industry

Reason for Construction Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Construction as Critical Infrastructure. The Order classified construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools as critical infrastructure. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited.

Requirements for Construction. All employers involved in construction activity must follow the requirements set forth in the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition, including the rules below:

1. All workers and contractors (hereafter referred to as “workers”) must take their temperature at their residence. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible, implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker or contractor has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
3. To the greatest extent possible, shift work must be implemented such that each shift shall have no more than fifty percent (50%) of the workers who were on shift on March 16, 2020. Once assigned to a shift, workers shall not change from one shift to another;
4. To the greatest extent possible, limit crossover of subcontractors;
5. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
6. Workers must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
7. Workers must not use a common water cooler. Employers shall provide individual water bottles or instruct workers to bring their own;
8. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
9. Employers must provide soap and water and hand sanitizer in the workplace, including all restrooms. Ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
10. If running water is available at the site, workers must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, when they remove gloves, and before and after the use of shared items such as tools or multi-user devices, before and after any meal or restroom breaks, and when their shift or work time ends.
11. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines;
12. Employers must provide one (1) working flushing toilet for every fifteen (15) workers on site or one (1) outdoor portable toilet for every 10 workers on site;
13. There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not



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- reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
14. Employers must designate a COVID-19 safety monitor on each site who has the authority to enforce these rules;

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any general contractor or subcontractor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT C

Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Definition of Critical Manufacturers and Distributors. This Order defines Critical Manufacturing and Distribution as the industries listed in the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0.

Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors. All employers involved in critical manufacturing and distribution activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work at a manufacturing or distribution center. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors check the temperature of all employees before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a six (6) foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. To the extent practicable, employers shall adjust shift timing to allow for greater physical distance between employees;
6. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
7. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms. Employers shall ensure that adequate supplies of soap and hand sanitizer are maintained;
8. Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to departing the work site.
9. Employers shall discourage employees from sharing work tools when possible.
10. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so employees may follow hygiene guidelines;
11. There shall be no adverse action taken against an employee who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
12. Employers must designate both a member of management as the COVID-19 Safety Monitor and a senior hourly employee (that is not a member of management), or a non-management



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employee if an hourly employee is not available, as the COVID-19 Vice Safety Monitor at each site to have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any manufacturer and distributor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT D

Rules for Financial Institutions

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

1. Check Cashing Businesses

Application. For the purpose of this Order, "Check Cashing Business" means a person or entity that for compensation engages, in whole or in part, in the business of cashing checks, drafts, money orders, traveler's checks or other instruments for the transmission or payment of money. This Order does not apply to a retail seller engaged primarily in the business of selling consumer goods, including consumables, to retail buyers that cash checks or issue money orders as a service to its customers that is incidental to its main purpose or business.

Interest and Fees. Fees shall not exceed 2% of the amount of the check, draft, or money order, or \$2, whichever is greater. Interest on a loan or advance of money shall not exceed 15% per annum of the total amount of the advance, provided that total fees associated with the loan do not exceed \$75, regardless of the name or type of charge. A check cashing business may charge only those charges expressly authorized in this Order in connection with a loan or advance issued.

Safety Rules. All check cashing businesses must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

- a) All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
- b) To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
- c) Employees must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
- d) Employers shall restrict the number of customers physically present in the store to only those people necessary to complete the transaction as determined by the customer. All other individuals must remain outside the store while the transaction is completed;
- e) Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
- f) Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Employers must ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
- g) Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift;



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- h) Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines; and
- i) There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy.

2. Pawnshops

Application. These rules apply to all locations or premises at which a pawnbroker regularly conducts business.

Interest and Fees. Interest on a loan of money extended pursuant to a pawn transaction shall not exceed 15% per annum of the total amount of the advance, provided that total fees associated with the loan do not exceed \$75, regardless of the name or type of charge. A pawnshop may charge only those charges expressly authorized in this Order in connection with a pawnshop loan.

Minimum Term Length. A pawnshop shall hold the goods pledged as collateral for at least 120 days after the end of the Emergency Declaration issued by Judge Jenkins or the end of the Emergency Declaration issued by Governor Abbott, whichever is later.

Safety Rules. All pawnshops must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

- a) All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
- b) To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
- c) Employees must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
- d) Employers shall restrict the number of customers so that only one customer is physically present in the store at a time;
- e) Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
- f) Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Employers must ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
- g) Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift;
- h) Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines; and
- i) There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to



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work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy.

3) **Enforcement**

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any financial institution who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT E

Rules for Common Carriers, Shipper, Delivery Services, and Related Companies

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Definition of Common Carriers. All employers which are common carriers, motor carriers, private carriers, shippers, delivery services, moving companies and contract carriers which load or unload cargo, supplies, equipment or goods at any point located in Dallas County.

Rules for Common Carriers. All employers involved in trucking, shipping, delivery and moving services, and related industries must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors check the temperature of all employees before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a six (6) foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. To the extent practicable, employers shall adjust shift timing to allow for greater physical distance between employees, including coordination between dispatch and scheduling so that there is no overlap between crews traveling to different locations;
6. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
7. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms. Employers shall ensure that adequate supplies of soap and hand sanitizer are maintained. Hand sanitizer must be available in each vehicle;
8. Workers must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift;
9. Employers must ensure that employees use gloves when handling shared tools or equipment (such as dollies, dock plates, and controls) and that employees wash their hands for at least 20 seconds after handling such tools or equipment;
10. To the greatest extent possible, drivers and other personnel should stay in their vehicles while the vehicles are being loaded and unloaded, unless required for employee safety;



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11. To the greatest extent possible, receipts, bills of lading, acknowledgements and other such documentation should be electronic so as minimize the need for personnel to physically sign and exchange documents;
12. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines;
13. There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) has not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
14. Employers must designate both a member of management and an employee who is not a member of management COVID-19 safety monitors at each of the business's warehouses, yards or other locations who have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any common carrier or related business who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT F

Rules for Real Estate Agents

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every Agent/Employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent exposure to coronavirus and protective measures to be taken in all real estate showing.

Definition of Real Estate Activity. For the purposes of this Order, real estate activity includes any activity governed by the Texas Real Estate License Act, the Inspector Act, the Residential Service Company Act, and the Timeshare Act.

Safety Rules for All Real Estate Agents/Employees. All realtors and their employees involved in essential real estate activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. Open Houses are prohibited;
2. All realtors and their employees (hereafter referred to as "realtors") must take their temperature at their residence prior to any real estate showing. If an agent has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, they are prohibited from participating in any real estate showings and must remain at their residence;
3. Realtors and clients must travel to showings in separate vehicles;
4. Realtors, clients, and homeowners must follow the six-foot social distancing rule at all times;
5. Realtors and staff should limit in person contact and conduct business remotely as much as possible;
6. Realtors must wear a protective mask and provide new, unused protective masks to clients when touring a site;
7. Employers must designate a COVID-19 safety monitor at each real estate office who has the authority to enforce these rules;

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any realtor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT G

Guidance on Covering Nose and Mouth

A significant percentage of individuals with the COVID-19 virus lack symptoms. Because an infected person can transmit the virus to others before showing any symptoms, the covering of a person's nose and mouth when visiting an Essential Business is necessary to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. This is consistent with the findings of the CDC and Dallas County Health Authority.

Staying home is the best way to help reduce the spread of the virus, but if an individual must leave their place of residence to visit an Essential Business, wearing a fabric face mask shall be used as outlined in this Order. Wearing a face covering is not a substitute for maintaining 6-foot social distancing and hand washing, as these remain important steps to slowing the spread of the virus. The face coverings recommended are not surgical masks or N-95 respirators, which are critical supplies that must continue to be reserved for healthcare workers and first responders.

The public in general and Essential Business employees shall comply with the following:

- A. To the greatest extent possible, all persons over the age of two (2) shall wear some form of covering over their nose and mouth, such as a homemade mask, scarf, bandana or handkerchief, when:
 - 1) patronizing an Essential Business; and
 - 2) using public transportation, taxis, or ride shares.
- B. This section shall not apply to persons that are:
 - 1) riding in a personal vehicle;
 - 2) **that are alone in a separate single space;**
 - 3) **that are in the presence only of other members of their household or residence;**
 - 4) engaging in outdoor activity;
 - 5) eating; or
 - 6) when wearing a covering poses a greater mental or physical health, safety or security risk such as anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the cover without assistance.

Children under the age of two (including infants) should not wear cloth face coverings. Those between the ages of two and nine should use them but under adult supervision to ensure that the child can breathe safely and avoid choking or suffocation. Children with breathing problems should not wear a face covering. Parents and Guardians of children under 10 shall be responsible for appropriately masking children pursuant to this Order.

All COVID-19 Suspected Positives, those currently being tested, and untested individuals with cough and/or fever, and household members of same category of individuals shall not leave their residence without a mask or cloth face covering to prevent the spread to others.



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To the greatest extent possible, all individuals working for an Essential Business must wear a mask or cloth face covering whenever in public and whenever performing job duties in the presence of others. To the greatest extent possible, employers shall provide employees with a mask or face covering. An owner or operator of an Essential Business may refuse admission or service to any individual who fails to wear face covering.

Medical grade (N95) and surgical masks should be reserved and used only by medical professionals and first responders. Cloth face coverings are not intended for use by healthcare workers, first responders, and others whose work requires close contact with people who are ill.

Cloth coverings should be made in accordance with CDC Guidance, which can be found here: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html>



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DCHHS Social Distancing Rules

1) Vulnerable Populations: Limit Outings

- Vulnerable populations include people who are:
 - 60 years old and older.
 - People with certain health conditions such as heart disease, lung disease, diabetes, kidney disease and weakened immune systems.
- For vulnerable populations, don't go to gatherings unless it is essential. Stay home. Avoid people who are sick.

2) Workplace and Businesses: Minimize Exposure

- Suspend nonessential employee travel.
- Ensure employees practice social distancing and do not work within six feet of one another.
- Urge essential employees to stay home when they are sick and maximize flexibility in sick leave benefits.
- Do not require a doctor's note for employees who are sick.
- Maximize telecommuting options.
- Persons who need to be at work to provide essential services of great benefit to the community must take steps in their workplace to minimize risk.

3) Cancel Non-essential Events

- Cancel non-essential events.
- Do not attend any events or gatherings if sick.
- For events that aren't cancelled, we recommend:
 - Having hand washing capabilities, hand sanitizers and tissues available.
 - Frequently cleaning high touch surface areas like counter tops and hand rails.
 - Finding ways to implement social distancing.

4) Schools: Safety First

- Do not have your child attend school if sick.
- If you have a child with chronic health conditions, consult the child's doctor about school attendance.
- Schools should equip all classrooms with hand sanitizers and tissues.
- Recommend rescheduling or cancelling events that are not essential.
- Explore remote teaching and online options to continue learning.
- Schools should develop a plan for citywide school closures, and families should prepare for further closures.

5) Transit: Cleaning and Protection

- Increase cleaning of vehicles and high touch surface areas.
- Provide hand washing/hand sanitizers and tissues in stations and on vehicles.
- Ensure social distancing practices are implemented to the full extent possible.



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6) Health Care Settings: Avoid as possible, protect the vulnerable

- Long-term care facilities should have a COVID-19 plan in accordance with CDC or state guidelines.
- Long-term care facilities should restrict all visitation except for certain compassionate care situations, such as end of life situations.
- The general public should avoid going to medical settings such as hospitals, nursing homes and long-term care facilities, even if you are not ill.
- If you are ill, call your health care provider ahead of time, and you may be able to be served by phone.
- Do not visit emergency rooms unless it is essential.
- Follow guidance and directions of all facilities.

7) Everyone: Do your part

The best way for all Dallas County residents to reduce their risk of getting sick, as with seasonal colds or the flu, still applies to prevent COVID-19:

- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Cough or sneeze into your elbow or a tissue. Throw the tissue in the trash.
- Stay home if you are sick.
- Avoid touching your face.
- Try alternatives to shaking hands, like an elbow bump or wave.
- If you have recently returned from a country, state or region with ongoing COVID-19 infections, monitor your health and follow the instructions of public health officials and CDC guidance.

You can also prepare for the disruption caused by an outbreak. Preparedness actions include:

- Prepare to work from home if that is possible for your job, and your employer.
- Make sure you have a supply of all essential medications for your family.
- Prepare a child care plan if you or a caregiver are sick.
- Make arrangements about how your family will manage school closures.
- Plan for how you can care for a sick family member without getting sick yourself.
- Take care of each other and check in by phone with friends, family and neighbors that are vulnerable to serious illness or death if they get COVID-19.
- Keep common spaces clean to help maintain a healthy environment for you and others. Frequently touched surfaces should be cleaned regularly with disinfecting sprays, wipes or common household cleaning products.



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SUPPLEMENTAL ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS ON REOPENED SERVICES AND FOOD PROCESSING PLANTS

DATE ORDER ISSUED: May 4, 2020

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency on March 12, 2020, due to a novel coronavirus now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Judge Jenkins issued an Order in furtherance of his authority to protect the safety and welfare of the public by slowing the spread of the virus;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump acknowledged the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic, releasing strict new guidelines to limit people's interactions, including that Americans should avoid groups of more than 10 people;

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Dallas County Commissioners Court issued an Order of Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Dallas County Emergency Management Plan and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster until 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2020, unless rescinded by order of the Commissioners Court.

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the World Health Organization indicated that the United States has the potential to become the center of the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, on April 27, 2020, Governor Abbott issued an Executive Order reopening certain businesses in Texas for in-person services so long as certain workplace safety rules are followed;

WHEREAS, this Supplemental Order is necessary to protect the lives, health, welfare, and safety of the County's residents from the devastating impacts of this pandemic;

THEREFORE, County Judge Clay Jenkins hereby ISSUES the following Supplemental Order as follows:

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 418.108, DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS ORDERS:

1. Effective as of 5:00 p.m. on May 4, 2020, and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2020:
 - a. "Reopened Services" may operate in Dallas County in compliance with this Order. For purposes of this Order, "**Reopened Services**" means:
 - i. Retail services that may be provided through pickup, delivery by mail, or delivery to the customer's doorstep;
 - ii. In-store retail services, for retail establishments that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the retail establishment;
 - iii. Dine-in restaurant services, for restaurants that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the restaurant; provided, however, that (a)



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this applies only to restaurants that have less than 51 percent of their gross receipts from the sale of alcoholic beverages and are therefore not required to post the 51 percent sign required by Texas law as determined by the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, and (b) valet services are prohibited except for vehicles with placards or plates for disabled parking;

- iv. Movie theaters that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of any individual theater for any screening;
 - v. Shopping malls that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the shopping mall; provided, however, that within shopping malls, the food court dining areas, play areas, and interactive displays and settings must remain closed;
 - vi. Museums and libraries that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy; provided, however, that (a) local public museums and local public libraries may so operate only if permitted by the local government, and (b) any components of museums or libraries that have interactive functions or exhibits, including child play areas, must remain closed;
 - vii. Services provided by an individual working alone in an office; and
 - viii. Golf course operations.
 - ix. Local government operations, including county and municipal governmental operations relating to permitting, recordation, and document-filing services, as determined by the local government.
- b. Reopened Services must comply Minimum Standard Health Protocols, in *The Governor's Report to Open Texas*, issued April 27, 2020. For clarity, to the extent the Governor's Minimum Standard Health Protocols are recommendations, the Health Protocols are adopted as mandatory rules in Dallas County. Individuals, employers, employees, and customers in Dallas County must comply with the following applicable Minimum Standard Health Protocols, to the greatest extent possible:
- i. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for All Individuals.
 - ii. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for All Employers.
 - iii. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Retailers.
 - iv. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Retail Customers.
 - v. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Restaurants.
 - vi. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Restaurant Customers.
 - vii. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Movie Theaters.
 - viii. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Movie Theater Customers.
 - ix. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Museums and Libraries.
 - x. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for All Museum and Library Visitors.
 - xi. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Outdoor Sports Participants.
 - xii. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Churches/Places of Worship.
 - xiii. Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Single-Person Offices.

The Steps to Open Texas Business, which include the Minimum Standard Health Protocols, collectively, are attached as Exhibit C to these Emergency Regulations. Any reference to the geographic area of Texas in Order GA-18 shall instead mean the Dallas County. Whenever the phrase "Governor Abbott's executive order GA-



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18” is used in the Minimum Standard Health Protocols, it shall instead mean this Supplemental Order. Any reference to the word “recommended” in the Minimum Standard Health Protocols, adopted as part of these Emergency Regulations, shall instead mean “must comply to the greatest extent possible.”

2. **Food Preparation and Processing Plants.** All food manufacturing and processing plants, including meat and poultry processing facilities, fruit and vegetable plants, dairy plants, and other food and beverage plants. In addition to OSHA and CDC guidelines, all food preparation and processing plants must follow the Rules for Food Preparation and Processing Plants set forth in Exhibit A.
3. **Covering of Nose and Mouth:** Because an infected person can transmit the COVID-19 virus to others before showing any symptoms, the covering of a person’s nose and mouth is necessary to help slow the spread of the virus. To the greatest extent possible all persons over the age of two (2) shall wear some form of covering over their nose and mouth, such as a homemade mask, scarf, bandana or handkerchief, when patronizing an Essential Business or Reopened Service, or using public transportation pursuant to the rules outlined in Exhibit B. Parents and Guardians of children under 10 shall be responsible for appropriately masking children pursuant to this Order. To the greatest extent possible, all non-medical employees who work at an Essential Businesses and Reopened Service or perform services that are exempt under this Order must wear face coverings over their noses and mouths while performing their work. An owner or operator of an Essential Business or Reopened Service may refuse admission or service to any individual who fails to wear face covering. Wearing a face covering is not a substitute for maintaining 6-foot social distancing and hand washing, as these remain important steps to slowing the spread of the virus. The enforcement provisions set forth in this Order are not applicable to this cloth covering requirement and no law enforcement officer shall stop, detain, or arrest any person based on a person failing to wear a cloth covering or mask.
4. This Order shall be in effect until 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2020, or until it is either rescinded, superseded, or amended pursuant to applicable law.
5. The County of Dallas must promptly provide copies of this Order by posting on the Dallas County Health and Human Services website. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is strongly encouraged to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.
6. The Dallas County Sheriff’s Office, the Dallas County Fire Marshal’s Office, and other peace officers, are hereby authorized to enforce this Order. A violation of this order may be punishable through criminal or civil enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days.

IT IS SO ORDERED
CLAY JENKINS
DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE



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EXHIBIT A

Rules for Food Preparation and Processing Plants

Rules for Food Preparation and Processing Plants:

- Food preparation and processing plants shall implement a system whereby all employees take their temperature at home and upon arriving at work are screened for the following: new or worsening cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, loss of taste or smell, feeling feverish or an onsite measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit, or known close contact with a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19. Any employee who meets any of these criteria must be sent home;
- Employees must wash or disinfect hands upon entering the plant, after any interaction with other employees, and after the use of any shared items;
- To the greatest extent possible, all employees must wear cloth face coverings over the nose and mouth;
- Food preparation and processing plants shall regularly and frequently clean and disinfect any regularly touched surfaces, such as restrooms, doorknobs, tables, and chairs;
- Remove turnstiles and other physical barriers at the entrance that would be touched by employees one after the other;
- Food preparation and processing plants shall implement a system by which all employees maintain at least 6 feet separation from one another and other individuals, including:
 - Mark out 6 foot distances for workers to stand in while they wait to punch in or create methods for employee time-tracking other than using a common time-clock to minimize workers congregating;
 - Stagger start, break and lunch times;
 - Mark out a 6 foot line in front of supervisor/management desk;
 - No meetings without 6 foot distances between chairs or people;
 - Identify areas where employees congregate – such as locker rooms, donning and doffing areas for PPE, breakrooms, etc. and ensure social distancing is possible in these areas;
 - Restrict specific areas of the plant to individuals who need to be in that area;
 - Consider physical barriers on the line or reduce line speeds so that lines can operate with fewer employees spaced further apart; and
 - To the greatest extent possible, create alternating shifts for different types of work activities, or split plant operations from one shift into two, to create situations in which fewer employees have to interact.



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EXHIBIT B

Guidance on Covering Nose and Mouth

A significant percentage of individuals with the COVID-19 virus lack symptoms. Because an infected person can transmit the virus to others before showing any symptoms, the covering of a person's nose and mouth when visiting an Essential Business or Reopened Service is necessary to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. This is consistent with the findings of the CDC and Dallas County Health Authority.

Staying home is the best way to help reduce the spread of the virus, but if an individual must leave their place of residence to visit an Essential Business or Reopened Service, wearing a fabric face mask shall be used as outlined in this Order. Wearing a face covering is not a substitute for maintaining 6-feet social distancing and hand washing, as these remain important steps to slowing the spread of the virus. The face coverings recommended are not surgical masks or N-95 respirators, which are critical supplies that must continue to be reserved for healthcare workers and first responders.

The public in general and Essential Business employees shall comply with the following:

- A. To the greatest extent possible, all persons over the age of two (2) shall wear some form of covering over their nose and mouth, such as a homemade mask, scarf, bandana or handkerchief, when:
 - 1) patronizing an Essential Business or Reopened Service; and
 - 2) using public transportation, taxis, or ride shares.
- B. This section shall not apply to persons that are:
 - 1) riding in a personal vehicle;
 - 2) that are alone in a separate single space, such as an enclosed office;
 - 3) that are in the presence only of other members of their household or residence;
 - 4) engaging in outdoor activity;
 - 5) eating; or
 - 6) when wearing a covering poses a greater mental or physical health, safety or security risk such as anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the cover without assistance.

Children under the age of two (including infants) should not wear cloth face coverings. Those between the ages of two and nine should use them but under adult supervision to ensure that the child can breathe safely and avoid choking or suffocation. Children with breathing problems should not wear a face covering. Parents and Guardians of children under 10 shall be responsible for appropriately masking children pursuant to this Order.

All COVID-19 Suspected Positives, those currently being tested, and untested individuals with cough and/or fever, and household members of same category of individuals shall not leave their residence without a mask or cloth face covering to prevent the spread to others.



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To the greatest extent possible, all individuals working for an Essential Business or Reopened Service must wear a mask or cloth face covering whenever in public and whenever performing job duties in the presence of others. To the greatest extent possible, employers shall provide employees with a mask or face covering. An owner or operator of an Essential Business or Reopened Service may refuse admission or service to any individual who fails to wear face covering.

The enforcement provisions set forth in this Order are not applicable to this cloth covering requirement and no law enforcement officer shall stop, detain, or arrest any person based on a person failing to wear a cloth covering or mask.

Medical grade (N95) and surgical masks should be reserved and used only by medical professionals and first responders. Cloth face coverings are not intended for use by healthcare workers, first responders, and others whose work requires close contact with people who are ill.

Cloth coverings should be made in accordance with CDC Guidance, which can be found here: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html>

NOTE: This Amendment No. 8 to Exhibit B has been replaced.

SEE AMENDMENT No. 11 to EXHIBIT B (Page 039).

**AMENDMENT NO. 8
TO
EXHIBIT B
To Ordinance No. 4773**

**AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS
Safer-At-Home, dated April 23, 2020**

And

**Stay Home Stay Safe
RULES FOR REOPENED SERVICES**



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AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS

Safer At Home Order

DATE AMENDED ORDER ISSUED: April 23, 2020

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency on March 12, 2020, due to a novel coronavirus now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Judge Jenkins issued an Order in furtherance of his authority to protect the safety and welfare of the public by slowing the spread of the virus;

WHEREAS, the on-going evaluation of circumstances related to the virus and the updated recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and the Texas Department of State Health Services warrant the March 12, 2020 Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins be amended;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump acknowledged the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic, releasing strict new guidelines to limit people's interactions, including that Americans should avoid groups of more than 10 people;

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Dallas County Commissioners Court issued an Order of Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Dallas County Emergency Management Plan and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster until 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2020, unless rescinded by order of the Commissioners Court.

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the World Health Organization indicated that the United States has the potential to become the center of the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, this Emergency Order is necessary because of the propensity of the virus to spread person to person and also because the virus is physically causing property damage due to its proclivity to attach to surfaces for prolonged periods of time;

WHEREAS, this Emergency Order is necessary to protect the lives, health, welfare, and safety of the County's residents from the devastating impacts of this pandemic;

THEREFORE, the March 12, 2020, Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins is hereby AMENDED as follows:

Summary: The virus that causes 2019 Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) is easily transmitted through person to person contact, especially in group settings, and it is essential that the spread of the virus be slowed to protect the ability of public and private health care providers to handle the influx of new patients and safeguard public health and safety. Because of the risk of the rapid spread of the virus, and the need to protect the most vulnerable members of the community, this Order requires all individuals anywhere in Dallas County to shelter in place – that is, stay at home – except for certain essential activities and work to provide essential business and government services or perform essential public infrastructure construction, including housing. This Order



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takes effect Noon on April 23, 2020 and will continue through 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2020, subject to the limited exceptions and under the terms and conditions more particularly set forth below.

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 418.108, DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS ORDERS:

1. Effective as of Noon on April 23, 2020, and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2020:
 - (a) All individuals currently living within Dallas County are ordered to shelter at their place of residence. For the purposes of this Order, residences include hotels, motels, shared rentals, and similar facilities. To the extent individuals are using shared or outdoor spaces, they must at all times as reasonably as possible maintain social distancing of at least six feet from any other person when they are outside their residence. All persons may leave their residences only for Essential Activities, Reopened Services, or to provide or perform Essential Governmental Functions, or to operate Essential Businesses, all as defined in Section 2.
 - (b) All businesses operating within Dallas County, except Essential Businesses and Reopened Services as defined in below in Section 2, are required to cease all activities at facilities located within the County except Minimum Basic Operations as defined in Section 2. For clarity, businesses may continue operations consisting exclusively of employees or contractors performing activities at their own residences (i.e. working from home). To the greatest extent possible, all Essential Businesses shall comply with the Social Distancing Rules attached, including maintaining six feet social distancing for both employees and the general public.
 - (c) Employees of Essential Businesses and Reopened Services, whose physical presence at the workplace is not essential to operations, are directed to use telecommuting to the fullest extent possible.
 - (d) All public or private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit are prohibited, except as otherwise provided herein. Nothing in this Order prohibits the gathering of members of a household or living unit.
2. Definitions:
 - a. For purposes of this Order, individuals may leave their residence only to perform any of the following “**Essential Activities**”:
 - i. To engage in activities or perform tasks essential to their health and safety, or to the health and safety of their family or household members (for example, obtaining medical supplies or medication, visiting a health care professional, or obtaining supplies need to work from home).
 - ii. To obtain necessary services or supplies for themselves and their family or household members, or to deliver those services or supplies to others (for example, food, pet supply, and any other household consumer products, and products necessary to maintain the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences).



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- iii. To engage in outdoor activity, provided the individuals comply with social distancing requirements of six feet (for example, walking, biking, hiking, running, golfing, and tennis).
 - iv. To perform work providing essential products and services at an Essential Business or to otherwise carry out activities specifically permitted in this Order.
 - v. To care for a family member or pet in another household.
 - vi. To move to another residence either in or outside Dallas County.
 - vii. To engage in **"Essential Travel,"** which includes travel for any of the following purposes: (1) travel related to the provision of or access to Essential Activities, Essential Governmental Functions, Essential Businesses, Reopened Services, Essential Critical Infrastructure, and Minimum Basic Operation; (2) travel to care for elderly, minors, dependents, persons with disabilities, or other vulnerable persons; (3) travel to or from educational institutions for purposes of receiving materials for distance learning, for receiving meals, and any other related services; (4) travel to return to a place of residence from outside the jurisdiction; (5) travel required by law enforcement or court order; (6) travel by church staff or clergy for the purpose of production of remote delivery of religious services and other ministries requiring travel; (7) travel related to attending a funeral service; or (8) travel required for non-residents to return to their place of residence outside the County.
- b. For purposes of this Order, **"Reopened Services"** means:
- i. Retail services that are not "Essential Businesses" under this Order.
 - ii. Effective 12:01 a.m. on Friday, April 24, 2020, Reopened Services shall be provided only through pickup, delivery by mail, or delivery to the customer's doorstep. Customers may not enter the premises.
 - iii. All Reopened Services shall comply with the following requirements:
 - 1. All employees must be trained on environmental cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
 - 2. All employees must be screened before coming into the business for new or worsening cough; shortness of breath; sore throat; loss of taste or smell; feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit; or known close contact with a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19. Any employee who meets any of these criteria must be sent home.
 - 3. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas.
 - 4. Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, after each interaction with a customer, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift.
 - 5. All employees must wear face coverings.



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6. Employees must maintain at least 6 feet separation from one another.
- iv. All Reopened Services providing services through Retail-to-Go shall comply with the following conditions:
 1. All payments shall be done over the phone or internet if possible, and contact shall be minimized if remote payment is not available.
 2. Purchased items shall be delivered by the employee to the backseat or trunk of the customer's vehicle whenever possible to minimize physical contact with the customer.
 3. Employees must wash or sanitize their hands after each interaction with a customer, and whenever possible, must disinfect any item that came into contact with the customer.
- v. All Reopened Services providing services through delivery to a customer's residence or business shall comply with the following conditions:
 1. All payments shall be done over the phone or internet if possible, and contact shall be minimized if remote payment is not available.
 2. Purchased items shall be delivered by an employee or third-party carrier and delivered to the customer's residence or business. The employee or third-party carrier may not enter the customer's house or business.
- vi. All Reopened Services providing services through delivery by mail shall comply with the following conditions:
 1. All payments must be done over the phone or internet.
 2. Purchased items shall be delivered by mail without customer contact.
- c. For purposes of this Order, "**Essential Businesses**" means:
 - i. **Essential Healthcare Operations.** Healthcare Operations includes but is not limited to hospitals, clinics, dentists, chiropractors, physical therapy, optometry offices, pharmacies, pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, other healthcare facilities, healthcare suppliers, mental health providers, substance abuse service providers, blood banks, medical research, laboratory services, certified doulas, or any related and/or ancillary healthcare services. Home-based and residential-based care for seniors, adults, or children are also considered healthcare operations. Healthcare operations also includes veterinary care and all health and welfare services provided to animals. This exemption shall be viewed broadly to avoid any impacts to the delivery of healthcare. Healthcare operations do not include fitness and exercise gyms, personal training, gymnastics studios, and similar facilities. Healthcare operations do not include elective medical, surgical, and dental procedures as established in accordance with Subsection 1(e) of this Order.
 - ii. **Essential Governmental Functions.** All services provided by local governments needed to ensure the continuing operation of the government agencies to provide for the health, safety and welfare of the public. Each governmental body will determine its Essential Governmental Functions



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and identify the employees and/or contractors necessary to the performance of those functions. Further, nothing in this order shall prohibit any individual from performing or accessing "Essential Governmental Functions." All Essential Governmental Functions shall be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet, to the extent possible. This Order does not apply to Federal or State Government.

- iii. **Essential Critical Infrastructure.** All public and private facilities and assets, including both physical and cyber systems, and other functions and sectors vital to the security, governance, and public health, safety of Dallas County. Critical infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, utilities such as electricity, gas, water and wastewater, roads and highways, public transportation, solid waste and recycle collection and removal, oil refining, roads and highways, public transportation, defense and national security-related operations, and manufacturing operations supplying essential items to Essential Businesses, Essential Governmental Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. All manufacturers and distributors shall comply with the Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors set out in Exhibit C. Critical Infrastructure employers should implement screening precautions to protect employees and all activity shall be performed in compliance with social distancing guidelines attached. For reference, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0, can be found here: <https://www.cisa.gov/publication/guidance-essential-critical-infrastructure-workforce>
- iv. **Stores that Sell Groceries and Other Essential Supplies.** Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, big-box stores, bodegas, liquor stores, convenience stores, and farmers' markets that sell food products and household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products. The sale of self-service food items is prohibited. Stores that sell groceries and other essential supplies shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- v. **Restaurants.** Restaurants with or without drive-in or drive-through services and microbreweries, micro-distilleries, or wineries may only provide take out, delivery, or drive-through services as allowed by law. In-person service is prohibited. Customers may order and pay inside, but are prohibited from waiting inside the restaurant for their food. All food must be brought outside to customers. To allow for increased access to restaurants, this Order hereby suspends all laws and regulations prohibiting people from walking in a drive-through.
- vi. **Food Cultivation.** Food cultivation, including farming, fishing, and livestock.
- vii. **Delivery of Groceries and Essential Supplies.** Businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, hygiene products, and essential supplies directly to



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residences or essential businesses. All businesses that deliver groceries and essential supplies shall comply with the rules set out in Exhibit E.

- viii. **Transportation.** Operation, maintenance, and repair of airlines, taxis, and other private transportation providers (such as Uber and Lyft) that provide transportation services necessary for the performance of essential activities and essential travel.
- ix. **Gas Stations and Businesses Needed for Transportation.** Gas stations, auto dealers, auto-supply stores, auto-repair, and bicycle repair. Gas stations and convenience stores are prohibited from selling self-service food items. Gas stations and businesses needed for transportation shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- x. **Critical Trades.** Plumbers, electricians, exterminators, janitors, lawn care services, pool cleaners, maintenance and security, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operations of residences, Essential Businesses, Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Critical Trade does not include discretionary maintenance or improvements. Union representatives and their staff for the purpose of performing critical labor union functions, including the maintenance of health and welfare funds and checking on the well-being and safety of members.
- xi. **Construction.** Construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited. Protecting construction worker from the spread of COVID19 is extremely important for their safety and for public health, all construction sites must follow the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition, including, but not limited to, the Rules for Construction Industry set out in Exhibit B. Failure to strictly comply with this Order can result in penalties described below. Additionally, the general contractor and non-compliant subcontractor can be removed from the essential business list.
- xii. **Professional Services.** Professional services, such as legal or accounting services, when necessary to assist in compliance with legally mandated activities or services necessary to avoid imminent harm to a client. Real estate and inspection services, so long as they comply with the rules set out in Exhibit F.
- xiii. **Financial Institutions.** Banks and related depository financial institutions, credit unions, insurance companies, title companies, payroll and accounting services. Check cashing businesses and pawnshops so long as they comply with the rules set out in Exhibit D. A copy of Exhibit D must be prominently displayed in each establishment in English and Spanish and a copy must also be provided to each customer in the customer's preferred language.
- xiv. **Information Technology Services/Telecommunications Services.** IT and IT services and their essential service vendors, including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and web-based services, and



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critical manufacturing, as well as telecommunications services, internet access and broadband/communications services.

- xv. **Essential Retail.** Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers, hardware stores, and related facilities. Firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security. Hardware stores and business that sell electrical, plumbing, and other materials necessary to support Essential Businesses, and Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Essential retail establishments shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- xvi. **Fabric Stores.** Stores that sell fabric, for the sole purpose of selling fabric and supplies necessary for the creation of fabric cloth coverings and masks and supplies necessary for home schooling students. Stores that sell fabric shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- xvii. **Hotels and Motels.** Hotels and motels, to the extent used for lodging or delivery or carry-out food services.
- xviii. **Short-Term Rentals.** Short-term rental of all or part of a residential property to a person who is not a permanent resident is prohibited. Within the meaning of this Order, a “permanent resident” is a person who has the right to use or possess a room at the residential property for at least 30 consecutive days, so long as there is no interruption of payment for the period. This Order does not prohibit short-term rental to hospital employees or other licensed healthcare professionals, military personnel, law enforcement personnel, government employees, or Dallas County residents who need a place to self-quarantine away from their family and/or roommates. Renters currently occupying short-term rental properties shall be permitted to complete the current rental contract but are required to follow the requirements of this order
- xix. **Providers of Basic Necessities to Economically Disadvantaged Populations.** Businesses or organizations that provide food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals.
- xx. **Essential Services Necessary to Maintain Essential Operations of Residences or Other Essential Businesses.** . Businesses or services that supply other Essential Businesses, Essential Government Services, and Critical Infrastructure with the support or supplies needed to operate; including but not limited to mail, shipping and delivery services, warehouse/distribution and fulfillment, storage, moving services, janitorial services, laundry services, computer, audio or video electronics, sanitary equipment, and medical equipment.. To the extent possible, services shall be provided in compliance with Social Distancing Rules attached, including distancing of six feet and routine use of hand sanitizer. All employers that are common carriers, motor carriers, private carriers, shippers, delivery services, moving companies and contract carriers that



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load or unload cargo, supplies, equipment or goods at any point located in Dallas County shall comply with the rules set out in Exhibit E.

- xxi. **Supplies to Work From Home and Home School Students.** Businesses that supply products needed for people to work from home and stores that sell supplies necessary for home schooling students. Stores that sell supplies for people to work from home shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
 - xxii. **Public and Private Education.** All schools are closed to in-person classroom attendance and shall not recommence before the end of the 2019-2020 school year. Public and private educational institutions may operate in-person only for the purposes of facilitating distance learning or performing essential functions, provided compliance with the Social Distancing Rules is maintained.
 - xxiii. **News Media.** Newspapers, television, radio, and other media services.
 - xxiv. **Childcare Services.** Childcare facilities providing services or community service providers offering childcare services under the following mandatory conditions:
 - 1. Childcare services shall only be provided to employees of Essential Businesses;
 - 2. Childcare must be carried out in stable groups of 12 or fewer ("stable" means that the same 12 or fewer children are in the same group each day);
 - 3. Children shall not change from one group to another;
 - 4. If more than one group of children is cared for at one facility, each group shall be in a separate room. Groups shall not mix with each other;
 - 5. Childcare providers shall remain solely with one group of children.
 - xxv. **Animal Care Services.** Animal shelters, veterinary care, and pet food and supply stores. Grooming, if necessary for the health and wellbeing of the animal. Pet daycare, but only for employees of Essential Businesses. To the greatest extent possible, all services must be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet. Pet food and supply stores shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
 - xxvi. **Religious and Worship Services.** The Office of the Dallas County Judge and the Health Authority strongly encourage religious and worship services be provided by audio, video, and teleconference whenever possible and that all individuals follow all CDC and County Social Distancing Guidelines including the six feet social distancing rule.
 - xxvii. **Funeral Services.** Funeral, mortuary, cremation, burial, cemetery, and related services, provided that social distancing of six feet per person is maintained to the greatest extent possible.
- d. For purposes of this Order, **Minimum Basic Operations** means the following, provided that employees comply with the Social Distancing Rules:



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- i. The minimum necessary activities to maintain the value of the business's inventory, ensure security, process payroll and employee benefits, or for related functions.
 - ii. The minimum necessary activities to facilitate employees of the business being able to continue to work remotely from their residences.
 - e. **Covering of Nose and Mouth:** Because an infected person can transmit the COVID-19 virus to others before showing any symptoms, the covering of a person's nose and mouth is necessary to help slow the spread of the virus. Effective at 11:59 p.m. on April 17, 2020, to the greatest extent possible all persons over the age of two (2) shall wear some form of covering over their nose and mouth, such as a homemade mask, scarf, bandana or handkerchief, when patronizing an Essential Business or using public transportation pursuant to the rules outlined in Exhibit G. Parents and Guardians of children under 10 shall be responsible for appropriately masking children pursuant to this Order. To the greatest extent possible, all non-medical employees who work at an Essential Businesses or perform services that are exempt under this Order must wear face coverings over their noses and mouths while performing their work. An owner or operator of an Essential Business may refuse admission or service to any individual who fails to wear face covering. Wearing a face covering is not a substitute for maintaining 6-foot social distancing and hand washing, as these remain important steps to slowing the spread of the virus. The enforcement provisions set forth in Section 3 of this Order shall not apply to any violation of this provision or Exhibit G and no law enforcement officer shall stop, detain, or arrest any person based on any such violation.
3. The Dallas County Sheriff's Office, the Dallas County Fire Marshal's Office, and other peace officers, are hereby authorized to enforce this Order. A violation of this order may be punishable through criminal or civil enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days.
4. Any manufacturer who retools their business for the purpose of manufacturing and producing ventilators, masks, personal protective equipment, or any supply necessary for Essential Healthcare Operations may apply for an "essential business" exemption under this Order. Apply for a business exemption at <https://www.dallascounty.org/covid-19/ways-to-help.php> under the "Apply for an Essential Business Exemption" tab.
5. All Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) Recovery Payments to individuals shall be exempt from "garnishment" as that term is described in Chapter 63 of the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code, except for garnishment for child support payments. All CARE Act Payments shall remain exempt from garnishment when deposited into an account in a financial institution. This provision is enacted to ensure Dallas County residents can use their CARES Act Recovery Payments for their housing, food, medical and other essential needs during the COVID-19 emergency period.
6. All public, private, and commercial laboratories operating within Dallas County and performing COVID-19 testing shall report by 5:00 p.m. each day for the prior 24-hour period:



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- a. The number of COVID-19 tests performed; and
- b. The number of positive COVID-19 tests.

Reports shall be made to Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins at Clay.Jenkins@dallascounty.org and Dallas County Health and Human Services Director Dr. Philip Huang at Philip.Huang@dallascounty.org. Reporting laboratories shall not provide names or any other identifiable health information that could be used to identify an individual patient.

7. Door-to-door solicitation creates an unnecessary face-to-face situation for residents who are home in greater numbers due to the closure of schools and businesses, potentially endangering the health of residents. Under this Order, door-to-door solicitation is prohibited, including the leaving of written materials on the door or mailbox of a residence. This provision does not apply to any business in the grocery supply chain or any non-profit providing community resources for those effected by the coronavirus. Nothing in this Order prohibits utility companies or government agencies from contacting individuals at their residences to perform their normal business functions.
8. Employers shall not implement any rules making a negative COVID-19 test or a note from a healthcare provider a requirement before a COVID-19 recovered employee can return to work.
9. Under this Order, no person shall sell any of the following goods or services for more than the regular retail price the person charged for the goods or services on March 16, 2020, except where an increased retail price is the result of increased supplier or other costs (including the loss of supplier supporting funds):
 - a. groceries, beverages, toilet articles, and ice;
 - b. restaurant, cafeteria, and boarding-house meals; and
 - c. medicine, pharmaceutical and medical equipment, and supplies.
10. Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, hospitals, and medical facilities are experiencing high levels of demand for a large number of products, requiring more deliveries from manufacturers and distribution centers to serve their customers. A number of Texas cities and local associations have implemented restrictions on delivery hours to stores to mitigate truck noise and traffic. Due to the need to deliver products as quickly and efficiently as possible during this critical timeframe, this Order hereby suspends all delivery hour restrictions for transport to or from any entity involved in the selling or distribution of food products, medicine, or medical supplies in Dallas County for the next 60 days.
11. Due to increased demand for bath or toilet tissue resulting from stock up buying and individuals who purchase for resale, a mandatory limit on toilet paper sales is instituted until the supply chain meets the demand or two weeks, whichever comes first. All sales of bath or toilet tissue occurring in Dallas County are limited to the greater of: (a) twelve (12) rolls per purchase or (b) one (1) package per purchase. This provision does not apply to the sale of bath or tissue paper to a government organization or essential business.
12. Due to the public health emergency, the Office of the Dallas County Judge hereby advises the Dallas County Justices of the Peace to suspend eviction hearings and writs of



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possession for at least the next 60 days to prevent renters from being displaced. Nothing in the moratorium relieves tenants of liability for unpaid rent. Landlords should cap late fees for delayed payment of rent at fifteen dollars (\$15) per month.

13. If someone in a household has tested positive for coronavirus, the household is ordered to isolate at home. Members of the household cannot go to work, school, or any other community function, except for workers included in Essential Healthcare Operations who may continue to work in accordance with CDC guidance.
14. Nursing homes, retirement, and long-term care facilities are instructed by this Order to prohibit non-essential visitors from accessing their facilities unless to provide critical assistance or for end-of-life visitation.
15. Public and private schools and institutions of higher education are instructed by this Order to provide a safety plan to Dallas County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management 72 hours before students return to a classroom setting.
16. Additionally, the Office of the Dallas County Judge and the Health Authority instructs all employees to remain at home if sick. Employees of private businesses and nonprofits with six (6) or more employees in the City of Dallas can use their paid sick leave when they are sick or to care for sick family members.
17. This Order shall be in effect until 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020, or until it is either rescinded, superseded, or amended pursuant to applicable law.
18. The County of Dallas must promptly provide copies of this Order by posting on the Dallas County Health and Human Services website. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is strongly encouraged to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED

CLAY JENKINS
DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE



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EXHIBIT A

Rules for Essential Retailers

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus and protective measures to be taken in all establishments.

Definition of Essential Retailers.

1. Stores that Sell Groceries and Other Essential Supplies. Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, big-box stores, bodegas, liquor stores, convenience stores, and farmers' markets that sell food products and household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products.
2. Gas Stations and Businesses Needed for Transportation. Gas stations, auto dealerships, auto-supply stores, auto-repair, and bicycle repair.
3. Other Essential Retailers. Stores that sell supplies necessary for the creation of fabric cloth coverings and masks and supplies necessary for home schooling students. Pet food and supply stores. Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers, hardware stores, and related facilities. Firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security. Hardware stores and business that sell electrical, plumbing, and other materials necessary to support Essential Businesses, and Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure.

Safety Rules for All Essential Retailers. All employers involved in essential retail activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to an Essential Retailer. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, an Essential Retailer must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all employees with a forehead thermometer before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
6. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;



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7. Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift.
8. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so employees may follow hygiene guidelines;
9. There shall be no adverse action taken against an employee who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the employee has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
10. Employers must designate both a member of management as the COVID-19 Safety Monitor and a senior hourly worker (that is not a member of management) as the COVID-19 Vice Safety Monitor at each store to have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

General Rules for Essential Retailers.

1. Employers shall implement an organized line system where employees, customers, and other persons are not less than six feet apart at all times;
2. To the greatest extent practicable, designate shopping times for at risk populations (seniors, pregnant people, and people with underlying health conditions);
3. To the greatest extent possible, implement a system to restrict the number of customers who are physically present at an Essential Retailer so that six foot spacing may be maintained;
4. Employers shall implement purchase limits on high-demand items (toilet paper, soap, hand sanitizer). These purchase limits do not apply to a government organization or essential business;
5. To the greatest extent possible, employers shall offer pick up services or delivery services of grocery items and other essential supplies; and
6. Self-service food stations are prohibited. Self-service stations are defined as items that customers use common serving utensils to serve themselves, including but not limited to, salad bars, hot dog stands, self-service bulk food items, and other related food items. This section does not apply to self-checkout stations, so long as the checkout stations are cleaned at least every 30 minutes.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any essential retailer who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT B

Rules for the Construction Industry

Reason for Construction Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Construction as Critical Infrastructure. The Order classified construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools as critical infrastructure. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited.

Requirements for Construction. All employers involved in construction activity must follow the requirements set forth in the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition, including the rules below:

1. All workers and contractors (hereafter referred to as “workers”) must take their temperature at their residence. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible, implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker or contractor has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
3. To the greatest extent possible, shift work must be implemented such that each shift shall have no more than fifty percent (50%) of the workers who were on shift on March 16, 2020. Once assigned to a shift, workers shall not change from one shift to another;
4. To the greatest extent possible, limit crossover of subcontractors;
5. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
6. Workers must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
7. Workers must not use a common water cooler. Employers shall provide individual water bottles or instruct workers to bring their own;
8. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
9. Employers must provide soap and water and hand sanitizer in the workplace, including all restrooms. Ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
10. If running water is available at the site, workers must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, when they remove gloves, and before and after the use of shared items such as tools or multi-user devices, before and after any meal or restroom breaks, and when their shift or work time ends.
11. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines;
12. Employers must provide one (1) working flushing toilet for every fifteen (15) workers on site or one (1) outdoor portable toilet for every 10 workers on site;
13. There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not



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- reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
14. Employers must designate a COVID-19 safety monitor on each site who has the authority to enforce these rules;

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any general contractor or subcontractor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT C

Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Definition of Critical Manufacturers and Distributors. This Order defines Critical Manufacturing and Distribution as the industries listed in the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0.

Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors. All employers involved in critical manufacturing and distribution activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work at a manufacturing or distribution center. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors check the temperature of all employees before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a six (6) foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. To the extent practicable, employers shall adjust shift timing to allow for greater physical distance between employees;
6. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
7. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms. Employers shall ensure that adequate supplies of soap and hand sanitizer are maintained;
8. Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to departing the work site.
9. Employers shall discourage employees from sharing work tools when possible.
10. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so employees may follow hygiene guidelines;
11. There shall be no adverse action taken against an employee who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
12. Employers must designate both a member of management as the COVID-19 Safety Monitor and a senior hourly employee (that is not a member of management), or a non-management



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employee if an hourly employee is not available, as the COVID-19 Vice Safety Monitor at each site to have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any manufacturer and distributor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT D

Rules for Financial Institutions

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

1. Check Cashing Businesses

Application. For the purpose of this Order, "Check Cashing Business" means a person or entity that for compensation engages, in whole or in part, in the business of cashing checks, drafts, money orders, traveler's checks or other instruments for the transmission or payment of money. This Order does not apply to a retail seller engaged primarily in the business of selling consumer goods, including consumables, to retail buyers that cash checks or issue money orders as a service to its customers that is incidental to its main purpose or business.

Interest and Fees. Fees shall not exceed 2% of the amount of the check, draft, or money order, or \$2, whichever is greater. Interest on a loan or advance of money shall not exceed 15% per annum of the total amount of the advance, provided that total fees associated with the loan do not exceed \$75, regardless of the name or type of charge. A check cashing business may charge only those charges expressly authorized in this Order in connection with a loan or advance issued.

Safety Rules. All check cashing businesses must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

- a) All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
- b) To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
- c) Employees must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
- d) Employers shall restrict the number of customers physically present in the store to only those people necessary to complete the transaction as determined by the customer. All other individuals must remain outside the store while the transaction is completed;
- e) Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
- f) Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Employers must ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
- g) Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift;



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- h) Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines; and
- i) There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy.

2. Pawnshops

Application. These rules apply to all locations or premises at which a pawnbroker regularly conducts business.

Interest and Fees. Interest on a loan of money extended pursuant to a pawn transaction shall not exceed 15% per annum of the total amount of the advance, provided that total fees associated with the loan do not exceed \$75, regardless of the name or type of charge. A pawnshop may charge only those charges expressly authorized in this Order in connection with a pawnshop loan.

Minimum Term Length. A pawnshop shall hold the goods pledged as collateral for at least 120 days after the end of the Emergency Declaration issued by Judge Jenkins or the end of the Emergency Declaration issued by Governor Abbott, whichever is later.

Safety Rules. All pawnshops must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

- a) All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
- b) To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
- c) Employees must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
- d) Employers shall restrict the number of customers so that only one customer is physically present in the store at a time;
- e) Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
- f) Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Employers must ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
- g) Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift;
- h) Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines; and
- i) There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to



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work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy.

3) **Enforcement**

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any financial institution who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT E

Rules for Common Carriers, Shipper, Delivery Services, and Related Companies

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Definition of Common Carriers. All employers which are common carriers, motor carriers, private carriers, shippers, delivery services, moving companies and contract carriers which load or unload cargo, supplies, equipment or goods at any point located in Dallas County.

Rules for Common Carriers. All employers involved in trucking, shipping, delivery and moving services, and related industries must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors check the temperature of all employees before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a six (6) foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. To the extent practicable, employers shall adjust shift timing to allow for greater physical distance between employees, including coordination between dispatch and scheduling so that there is no overlap between crews traveling to different locations;
6. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
7. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms. Employers shall ensure that adequate supplies of soap and hand sanitizer are maintained. Hand sanitizer must be available in each vehicle;
8. Workers must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift;
9. Employers must ensure that employees use gloves when handling shared tools or equipment (such as dollies, dock plates, and controls) and that employees wash their hands for at least 20 seconds after handling such tools or equipment;
10. To the greatest extent possible, drivers and other personnel should stay in their vehicles while the vehicles are being loaded and unloaded, unless required for employee safety;



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11. To the greatest extent possible, receipts, bills of lading, acknowledgements and other such documentation should be electronic so as minimize the need for personnel to physically sign and exchange documents;
12. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines;
13. There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) has not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
14. Employers must designate both a member of management and an employee who is not a member of management COVID-19 safety monitors at each of the business's warehouses, yards or other locations who have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any common carrier or related business who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT F

Rules for Real Estate Agents

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every Agent/Employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent exposure to coronavirus and protective measures to be taken in all real estate showing.

Definition of Real Estate Activity. For the purposes of this Order, real estate activity includes any activity governed by the Texas Real Estate License Act, the Inspector Act, the Residential Service Company Act, and the Timeshare Act.

Safety Rules for All Real Estate Agents/Employees. All realtors and their employees involved in essential real estate activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. Open Houses are prohibited;
2. All realtors and their employees (hereafter referred to as “realtors”) must take their temperature at their residence prior to any real estate showing. If an agent has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, they are prohibited from participating in any real estate showings and must remain at their residence;
3. Realtors and clients must travel to showings in separate vehicles;
4. Realtors, clients, and homeowners must follow the six-foot social distancing rule at all times;
5. Realtors and staff should limit in person contact and conduct business remotely as much as possible;
6. Realtors must wear a protective mask and provide new, unused protective masks to clients when touring a site;
7. Employers must designate a COVID-19 safety monitor at each real estate office who has the authority to enforce these rules;

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any realtor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT G

Guidance on Covering Nose and Mouth

A significant percentage of individuals with the COVID-19 virus lack symptoms. Because an infected person can transmit the virus to others before showing any symptoms, the covering of a person's nose and mouth when visiting an Essential Business is necessary to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. This is consistent with the findings of the CDC and Dallas County Health Authority.

Staying home is the best way to help reduce the spread of the virus, but if an individual must leave their place of residence to visit an Essential Business, wearing a fabric face mask shall be used as outlined in this Order. Wearing a face covering is not a substitute for maintaining 6-foot social distancing and hand washing, as these remain important steps to slowing the spread of the virus. The face coverings recommended are not surgical masks or N-95 respirators, which are critical supplies that must continue to be reserved for healthcare workers and first responders.

The public in general and Essential Business employees shall comply with the following:

- A. To the greatest extent possible, all persons over the age of two (2) shall wear some form of covering over their nose and mouth, such as a homemade mask, scarf, bandana or handkerchief, when:
 - 1) patronizing an Essential Business; and
 - 2) using public transportation, taxis, or ride shares.
- B. This section shall not apply to persons that are:
 - 1) riding in a personal vehicle;
 - 2) **that are alone in a separate single space;**
 - 3) **that are in the presence only of other members of their household or residence;**
 - 4) engaging in outdoor activity;
 - 5) eating; or
 - 6) when wearing a covering poses a greater mental or physical health, safety or security risk such as anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the cover without assistance.

Children under the age of two (including infants) should not wear cloth face coverings. Those between the ages of two and nine should use them but under adult supervision to ensure that the child can breathe safely and avoid choking or suffocation. Children with breathing problems should not wear a face covering. Parents and Guardians of children under 10 shall be responsible for appropriately masking children pursuant to this Order.

All COVID-19 Suspected Positives, those currently being tested, and untested individuals with cough and/or fever, and household members of same category of individuals shall not leave their residence without a mask or cloth face covering to prevent the spread to others.



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To the greatest extent possible, all individuals working for an Essential Business must wear a mask or cloth face covering whenever in public and whenever performing job duties in the presence of others. To the greatest extent possible, employers shall provide employees with a mask or face covering. An owner or operator of an Essential Business may refuse admission or service to any individual who fails to wear face covering.

Medical grade (N95) and surgical masks should be reserved and used only by medical professionals and first responders. Cloth face coverings are not intended for use by healthcare workers, first responders, and others whose work requires close contact with people who are ill.

Cloth coverings should be made in accordance with CDC Guidance, which can be found here: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html>



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DCHHS Social Distancing Rules

1) Vulnerable Populations: Limit Outings

- Vulnerable populations include people who are:
 - 60 years old and older.
 - People with certain health conditions such as heart disease, lung disease, diabetes, kidney disease and weakened immune systems.
- For vulnerable populations, don't go to gatherings unless it is essential. Stay home. Avoid people who are sick.

2) Workplace and Businesses: Minimize Exposure

- Suspend nonessential employee travel.
- Ensure employees practice social distancing and do not work within six feet of one another.
- Urge essential employees to stay home when they are sick and maximize flexibility in sick leave benefits.
- Do not require a doctor's note for employees who are sick.
- Maximize telecommuting options.
- Persons who need to be at work to provide essential services of great benefit to the community must take steps in their workplace to minimize risk.

3) Cancel Non-essential Events

- Cancel non-essential events.
- Do not attend any events or gatherings if sick.
- For events that aren't cancelled, we recommend:
 - Having hand washing capabilities, hand sanitizers and tissues available.
 - Frequently cleaning high touch surface areas like counter tops and hand rails.
 - Finding ways to implement social distancing.

4) Schools: Safety First

- Do not have your child attend school if sick.
- If you have a child with chronic health conditions, consult the child's doctor about school attendance.
- Schools should equip all classrooms with hand sanitizers and tissues.
- Recommend rescheduling or cancelling events that are not essential.
- Explore remote teaching and online options to continue learning.
- Schools should develop a plan for citywide school closures, and families should prepare for further closures.

5) Transit: Cleaning and Protection

- Increase cleaning of vehicles and high touch surface areas.
- Provide hand washing/hand sanitizers and tissues in stations and on vehicles.
- Ensure social distancing practices are implemented to the full extent possible.



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6) Health Care Settings: Avoid as possible, protect the vulnerable

- Long-term care facilities should have a COVID-19 plan in accordance with CDC or state guidelines.
- Long-term care facilities should restrict all visitation except for certain compassionate care situations, such as end of life situations.
- The general public should avoid going to medical settings such as hospitals, nursing homes and long-term care facilities, even if you are not ill.
- If you are ill, call your health care provider ahead of time, and you may be able to be served by phone.
- Do not visit emergency rooms unless it is essential.
- Follow guidance and directions of all facilities.

7) Everyone: Do your part

The best way for all Dallas County residents to reduce their risk of getting sick, as with seasonal colds or the flu, still applies to prevent COVID-19:

- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Cough or sneeze into your elbow or a tissue. Throw the tissue in the trash.
- Stay home if you are sick.
- Avoid touching your face.
- Try alternatives to shaking hands, like an elbow bump or wave.
- If you have recently returned from a country, state or region with ongoing COVID-19 infections, monitor your health and follow the instructions of public health officials and CDC guidance.

You can also prepare for the disruption caused by an outbreak. Preparedness actions include:

- Prepare to work from home if that is possible for your job, and your employer.
- Make sure you have a supply of all essential medications for your family.
- Prepare a child care plan if you or a caregiver are sick.
- Make arrangements about how your family will manage school closures.
- Plan for how you can care for a sick family member without getting sick yourself.
- Take care of each other and check in by phone with friends, family and neighbors that are vulnerable to serious illness or death if they get COVID-19.
- Keep common spaces clean to help maintain a healthy environment for you and others. Frequently touched surfaces should be cleaned regularly with disinfecting sprays, wipes or common household cleaning products.



Stay Home Stay Safe

Rules for Reopened Services

Definition of “Reopened Services”:

- Retail services that are not “Essential Businesses” under the Dallas County Safer-At-Home Order.
- Effective 12:01 a.m. on Friday, April 24, 2020, Reopened Services shall be provided only through pickup, delivery by mail, or delivery to the customer’s doorstep. Customers may not enter the premises.

General Rules for All Reopened Services:

1. All employees must be trained on environmental cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
2. All employees must be screened before coming into the business for new or worsening cough; shortness of breath; sore throat; loss of taste or smell; feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit; or known close contact with a person who is lab-confirmed to have COVID-19. Any employee who meets any of these criteria must be sent home.
3. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas.
4. Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, after each interaction with a customer, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift.
5. All employees must wear face coverings.
6. Employees must maintain at least 6 feet separation from one another.

Rules for Reopened Services Providing Services Through Retail-to-Go:

1. All payments shall be done over the phone or internet if possible, and contact shall be minimized if remote payment is not available.
2. Purchased items shall be delivered by the employee to the backseat or trunk of the customer’s vehicle whenever possible to minimize physical contact with the customer.
3. Employees must wash or sanitize their hands after each interaction with a customer, and whenever possible, must disinfect any item that came into contact with the customer.



Rules for Reopened Services Providing Services Through Delivery to a Customer's Residence or Business:

1. All payments shall be done over the phone or internet if possible, and contact shall be minimized if remote payment is not available.
2. Purchased items shall be delivered by an employee or third party carrier and delivered to the customer's residence or business. The employee or third party carrier may not enter the customer's house or business.

Rules for Reopened Services Providing Services Through Delivery by Mail:

1. All payments must be done over the phone or internet.
2. Purchased items shall be delivered by mail without customer contact.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any Essential Retailer who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.

NOTE: This Amendment No. 7 to Exhibit B has been replaced.

SEE AMENDMENT No. 11 to EXHIBIT B (Page 039).

**AMENDMENT NO. 7
TO
EXHIBIT B
To Ordinance No. 4773**

**AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS
Safer-At-Home, dated April 18, 2020**



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AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS

Safer At Home Order

DATE AMENDED ORDER ISSUED: April 18, 2020

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency on March 12, 2020, due to a novel coronavirus now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Judge Jenkins issued an Order in furtherance of his authority to protect the safety and welfare of the public by slowing the spread of the virus;

WHEREAS, the on-going evaluation of circumstances related to the virus and the updated recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and the Texas Department of State Health Services warrant the March 12, 2020 Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins be amended;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump acknowledged the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic, releasing strict new guidelines to limit people's interactions, including that Americans should avoid groups of more than 10 people;

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Dallas County Commissioners Court issued an Order of Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Dallas County Emergency Management Plan and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster until 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020, unless rescinded by order of the Commissioners Court.

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the World Health Organization indicated that the United States has the potential to become the center of the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, this Emergency Order is necessary because of the propensity of the virus to spread person to person and also because the virus is physically causing property damage due to its proclivity to attach to surfaces for prolonged periods of time;

WHEREAS, this Emergency Order is necessary to protect the lives, health, welfare, and safety of the County's residents from the devastating impacts of this pandemic;

THEREFORE, the March 12, 2020, Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins is hereby AMENDED as follows:

Summary: The virus that causes 2019 Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) is easily transmitted through person to person contact, especially in group settings, and it is essential that the spread of the virus be slowed to protect the ability of public and private health care providers to handle the influx of new patients and safeguard public health and safety. Because of the risk of the rapid spread of the virus, and the need to protect the most vulnerable members of the community, this Order requires all individuals anywhere in Dallas County to shelter in place – that is, stay at home – except for certain essential activities and work to provide essential business and government services or perform essential public infrastructure construction, including housing. This Order



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takes effect at 3:00 p.m. on April 18, 2020 and will continue through 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020, subject to the limited exceptions and under the terms and conditions more particularly set forth below.

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE

SECTION 418.108, DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS ORDERS:

1. Effective as of 3:00 p.m. on April 18, 2020, and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020:
 - (a) All individuals currently living within Dallas County are ordered to shelter at their place of residence. For the purposes of this Order, residences include hotels, motels, shared rentals, and similar facilities. To the extent individuals are using shared or outdoor spaces, they must at all times as reasonably as possible maintain social distancing of at least six feet from any other person when they are outside their residence. All persons may leave their residences only for Essential Activities, or to provide or perform Essential Governmental Functions, or to operate Essential Businesses, all as defined in Section 2.
 - (b) All businesses operating within Dallas County, except Essential Businesses as defined in below in Section 2, are required to cease all activities at facilities located within the County except Minimum Basic Operations as defined in Section 2. For clarity, businesses may continue operations consisting exclusively of employees or contractors performing activities at their own residences (i.e. working from home). To the greatest extent possible, all Essential Businesses shall comply with the Social Distancing Rules attached, including maintaining six feet social distancing for both employees and the general public.
 - (c) Employees of Essential Businesses, whose physical presence at the workplace is not essential to operations, are directed to use telecommuting to the fullest extent possible.
 - (d) All public or private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit are prohibited, except as otherwise provided herein. Nothing in this Order prohibits the gathering of members of a household or living unit.
 - (e) All elective medical, surgical, and dental procedures are prohibited anywhere in Dallas County. Hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers, dental offices, and other medical facilities are directed to identify procedures that are deemed "elective" by assessing which procedures can be postponed or cancelled based on patient risk considering the emergency need for redirection of resources to COVID-19 response.
2. Definitions:
 - a. For purposes of this Order, individuals may leave their residence only to perform any of the following "**Essential Activities**":
 - i. To engage in activities or perform tasks essential to their health and safety, or to the health and safety of their family or household members (for



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example, obtaining medical supplies or medication, visiting a health care professional, or obtaining supplies need to work from home).

- ii. To obtain necessary services or supplies for themselves and their family or household members, or to deliver those services or supplies to others (for example, food, pet supply, and any other household consumer products, and products necessary to maintain the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences.
 - iii. To engage in outdoor activity, provided the individuals comply with social distancing requirements of six feet (for example, walking, biking, hiking, running, golfing, and tennis).
 - iv. To perform work providing essential products and services at an Essential Business or to otherwise carry out activities specifically permitted in this Order.
 - v. To care for a family member or pet in another household.
 - vi. To move to another residence either in or outside Dallas County.
 - vii. To engage in **"Essential Travel,"** which includes travel for any of the following purposes: (1) travel related to the provision of or access to Essential Activities, Essential Governmental Functions, Essential Businesses Essential Critical Infrastructure, and Minimum Basic Operation; (2) travel to care for elderly, minors, dependents, persons with disabilities, or other vulnerable persons; (3) travel to or from educational institutions for purposes of receiving materials for distance learning, for receiving meals, and any other related services; (4) travel to return to a place of residence from outside the jurisdiction; (5) travel required by law enforcement or court order; (6) travel by church staff or clergy for the purpose of production of remote delivery of religious services and other ministries requiring travel; (7) travel related to attending a funeral service; or (8) travel required for non-residents to return to their place of residence outside the County.
- b. For purposes of this Order, **"Essential Businesses"** means:
- i. **Essential Healthcare Operations.** Healthcare Operations includes but is not limited to hospitals, clinics, dentists, chiropractors, physical therapy, optometry offices, pharmacies, pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, other healthcare facilities, healthcare suppliers, mental health providers, substance abuse service providers, blood banks, medical research, laboratory services, certified doulas, or any related and/or ancillary healthcare services. Home-based and residential-based care for seniors, adults, or children are also considered healthcare operations. Healthcare operations also includes veterinary care and all health and welfare services provided to animals. This exemption shall be viewed broadly to avoid any impacts to the delivery of healthcare. Healthcare operations do not include fitness and exercise gyms, personal training, gymnastics studios, and similar facilities. Healthcare operations do not include elective medical, surgical, and dental procedures as established in accordance with Subsection 1(e) of this Order.



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- ii. **Essential Governmental Functions.** All services provided by local governments needed to ensure the continuing operation of the government agencies to provide for the health, safety and welfare of the public. Each governmental body will determine its Essential Governmental Functions and identify the employees and/or contractors necessary to the performance of those functions. Further, nothing in this order shall prohibit any individual from performing or accessing “Essential Governmental Functions.” All Essential Governmental Functions shall be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet, to the extent possible. This Order does not apply to Federal or State Government.
- iii. **Essential Critical Infrastructure.** All public and private facilities and assets, including both physical and cyber systems, and other functions and sectors vital to the security, governance, and public health, safety of Dallas County. Critical infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, utilities such as electricity, gas, water and wastewater, roads and highways, public transportation, solid waste and recycle collection and removal, oil refining, roads and highways, public transportation, defense and national security-related operations, and manufacturing operations supplying essential items to Essential Businesses, Essential Governmental Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. All manufacturers and distributors shall comply with the Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors set out in Exhibit C. Critical Infrastructure employers should implement screening precautions to protect employees and all activity shall be performed in compliance with social distancing guidelines attached. For reference, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0, can be found here: <https://www.cisa.gov/publication/guidance-essential-critical-infrastructure-workforce>
- iv. **Stores that Sell Groceries and Other Essential Supplies.** Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, big-box stores, bodegas, liquor stores, convenience stores, and farmers’ markets that sell food products and household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products. The sale of self-service food items is prohibited. Stores that sell groceries and other essential supplies shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- v. **Restaurants.** Restaurants with or without drive-in or drive-through services and microbreweries, micro-distilleries, or wineries may only provide take out, delivery, or drive-through services as allowed by law. In-person service is prohibited. Customers may order and pay inside, but are prohibited from waiting inside the restaurant for their food. All food must be brought outside to customers. To allow for increased access to restaurants, this Order hereby suspends all laws and regulations prohibiting people from walking in a drive-through.



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- vi. **Food Cultivation.** Food cultivation, including farming, fishing, and livestock.
- vii. **Delivery of Groceries and Essential Supplies.** Businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, hygiene products, and essential supplies directly to residences or essential businesses. All businesses that deliver groceries and essential supplies shall comply with the rules set out in Exhibit E.
- viii. **Transportation.** Operation, maintenance, and repair of airlines, taxis, and other private transportation providers (such as Uber and Lyft) that provide transportation services necessary for the performance of essential activities and essential travel.
- ix. **Gas Stations and Businesses Needed for Transportation.** Gas stations, auto-supply stores, auto-repair, and bicycle repair. Auto-dealerships, for in-person mechanical services or to complete an online transaction on an appointment basis only. Gas stations and convenience stores are prohibited from selling self-service food items. Gas stations and businesses needed for transportation shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- x. **Critical Trades.** Plumbers, electricians, exterminators, janitors, lawn care services, pool cleaners, maintenance and security, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operations of residences, Essential Businesses, Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Critical Trade does not include discretionary maintenance or improvements. Union representatives and their staff for the purpose of performing critical labor union functions, including the maintenance of health and welfare funds and checking on the well-being and safety of members.

Construction. Construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited. Protecting construction worker from the spread of COVID19 is extremely important for their safety and for public health, all construction sites must follow the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition, including, but not limited to, the Rules for Construction Industry set out in Exhibit B. Failure to strictly comply with this Order can result in penalties described below. Additionally, the general contractor and non-compliant subcontractor can be removed from the essential business list.
- xi. **Professional Services.** Professional services, such as legal or accounting services, when necessary to assist in compliance with legally mandated activities or services necessary to avoid imminent harm to a client. Real estate and inspection services, so long as they comply with the rules set out in Exhibit F.
- xii. **Financial Institutions.** Banks and related depository financial institutions, credit unions, insurance companies, title companies, payroll and accounting services. Check cashing businesses and pawnshops so long as they comply with the rules set out in Exhibit D. A copy of Exhibit D must be prominently



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displayed in each establishment in English and Spanish and a copy must also be provided to each customer in the customer's preferred language.

- xiii. **Information Technology Services/Telecommunications Services.** IT and IT services and their essential service vendors, including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and web-based services, and critical manufacturing, as well as telecommunications services, internet access and broadband/communications services.
- xiv. **Essential Retail.** Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers, hardware stores, and related facilities. Firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security. Hardware stores and business that sell electrical, plumbing, and other materials necessary to support Essential Businesses, and Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Essential retail establishments shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- xv. **Fabric Stores.** Stores that sell fabric, for the sole purpose of selling fabric and supplies necessary for the creation of fabric cloth coverings and masks and supplies necessary for home schooling students. Stores that sell fabric shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- xvi. **Hotels and Motels.** Hotels and motels, to the extent used for lodging or delivery or carry-out food services.
- xvii. **Short-Term Rentals.** Short-term rental of all or part of a residential property to a person who is not a permanent resident is prohibited. Within the meaning of this Order, a "permanent resident" is a person who has the right to use or possess a room at the residential property for at least 30 consecutive days, so long as there is no interruption of payment for the period. This Order does not prohibit short-term rental to hospital employees or other licensed healthcare professionals, military personnel, law enforcement personnel, government employees, or Dallas County residents who need a place to self-quarantine away from their family and/or roommates. Renters currently occupying short-term rental properties shall be permitted to complete the current rental contract but are required to follow the requirements of this order
- xviii. **Providers of Basic Necessities to Economically Disadvantaged Populations.** Businesses or organizations that provide food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals.
- xix. **Essential Services Necessary to Maintain Essential Operations of Residences or Other Essential Businesses.** . Businesses or services that supply other Essential Businesses, Essential Government Services, and Critical Infrastructure with the support or supplies needed to operate; including but not limited to mail, shipping and delivery services, warehouse/distribution and fulfillment, storage, moving services, janitorial



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services, laundry services, computer, audio or video electronics, sanitary equipment, and medical equipment.. To the extent possible, services shall be provided in compliance with Social Distancing Rules attached, including distancing of six feet and routine use of hand sanitizer. All employers that are common carriers, motor carriers, private carriers, shippers, delivery services, moving companies and contract carriers that load or unload cargo, supplies, equipment or goods at any point located in Dallas County shall comply with the rules set out in Exhibit E.

- xx. **Supplies to Work From Home.** Businesses that supply products needed for people to work from home.
- xxi. **Public and Private Education.** Public and private educational institutions, only for the purposes of facilitating distance learning or performing essential functions, provided compliance with the Social Distancing Rules is maintained
- xxii. **News Media.** Newspapers, television, radio, and other media services.
- xxiii. **Childcare Services.** Childcare facilities providing services or community service providers offering childcare services under the following mandatory conditions:
 - 1. Childcare services shall only be provided to employees of Essential Businesses;
 - 2. Childcare must be carried out in stable groups of 12 or fewer ("stable" means that the same 12 or fewer children are in the same group each day);
 - 3. Children shall not change from one group to another;
 - 4. If more than one group of children is cared for at one facility, each group shall be in a separate room. Groups shall not mix with each other;
 - 5. Childcare providers shall remain solely with one group of children.
- xxiv. **Animal Care Services.** Animal shelters, veterinary care, and pet food and supply stores. Grooming, if necessary for the health and wellbeing of the animal. Pet daycare, but only for employees of Essential Businesses. To the greatest extent possible, all services must be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet. Pet food and supply stores shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- xxv. **Religious and Worship Services.** Religious and worship services may only be provided by audio, video, and teleconference. Religious institutions must limit in-person staff to ten (10) people or less at one time, and twenty-five (25) people total per day, when preparing for or conducting video or teleconference services, and all individuals must follow the Social Distancing Rules including the six feet social distancing.
- xxvi. **Funeral Services.** Funeral, mortuary, cremation, burial, cemetery, and related services, provided that social distancing of six feet per person is maintained to the greatest extent possible.



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- c. For purposes of this Order, **Minimum Basic Operations** means the following, provided that employees comply with the Social Distancing Rules:
 - i. The minimum necessary activities to maintain the value of the business's inventory, ensure security, process payroll and employee benefits, or for related functions.
 - ii. The minimum necessary activities to facilitate employees of the business being able to continue to work remotely from their residences.
 - d. **Covering of Nose and Mouth:** Because an infected person can transmit the COVID-19 virus to others before showing any symptoms, the covering of a person's nose and mouth is necessary to help slow the spread of the virus. Effective at 11:59 p.m. on April 17, 2020, to the greatest extent possible all persons over the age of two (2) shall wear some form of covering over their nose and mouth, such as a homemade mask, scarf, bandana or handkerchief, when patronizing an Essential Business or using public transportation pursuant to the rules outlined in Exhibit G. Parents and Guardians of children under 10 shall be responsible for appropriately masking children pursuant to this Order. To the greatest extent possible, all non-medical employees who work at an Essential Businesses or perform services that are exempt under this Order must wear face coverings over their noses and mouths while performing their work. An owner or operator of an Essential Business may refuse admission or service to any individual who fails to wear face covering. Wearing a face covering is not a substitute for maintaining 6-foot social distancing and hand washing, as these remain important steps to slowing the spread of the virus. The enforcement provisions set forth in Section 3 of this Order shall not apply to any violation of this provision or Exhibit G and no law enforcement officer shall stop, detain, or arrest any person based on any such violation.
3. The Dallas County Sheriff's Office, the Dallas County Fire Marshal's Office, and other peace officers, are hereby authorized to enforce this Order. A violation of this order may be punishable through criminal or civil enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days.
4. Any manufacturer who retools their business for the purpose of manufacturing and producing ventilators, masks, personal protective equipment, or any supply necessary for Essential Healthcare Operations may apply for an "essential business" exemption under this Order. Apply for a business exemption at <https://www.dallascounty.org/covid-19/ways-to-help.php> under the "Apply for an Essential Business Exemption" tab.
5. All public, private, and commercial laboratories operating within Dallas County and performing COVID-19 testing shall report by 5:00 p.m. each day for the prior 24-hour period:
 - a. The number of COVID-19 tests performed; and
 - b. The number of positive COVID-19 tests.

Reports shall be made to Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins at Clay.Jenkins@dallascounty.org and Dallas County Health and Human Services Director



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Dr. Philip Huang at Philip.Huang@dallascounty.org. Reporting laboratories shall not provide names or any other identifiable health information that could be used to identify an individual patient.

6. Door-to-door solicitation creates an unnecessary face-to-face situation for residents who are home in greater numbers due to the closure of schools and businesses, potentially endangering the health of residents. Under this Order, door-to-door solicitation is prohibited, including the leaving of written materials on the door or mailbox of a residence. This provision does not apply to any business in the grocery supply chain or any non-profit providing community resources for those effected by the coronavirus. Nothing in this Order prohibits utility companies or government agencies from contacting individuals at their residences to perform their normal business functions.
7. Employers shall not implement any rules making a negative COVID-19 test or a note from a healthcare provider a requirement before a COVID-19 recovered employee can return to work.
8. Under this Order, no person shall sell any of the following goods or services for more than the regular retail price the person charged for the goods or services on March 16, 2020, except where an increased retail price is the result of increased supplier or other costs (including the loss of supplier supporting funds):
 - a. groceries, beverages, toilet articles, and ice;
 - b. restaurant, cafeteria, and boarding-house meals; and
 - c. medicine, pharmaceutical and medical equipment, and supplies.
9. Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, hospitals, and medical facilities are experiencing high levels of demand for a large number of products, requiring more deliveries from manufacturers and distribution centers to serve their customers. A number of Texas cities and local associations have implemented restrictions on delivery hours to stores to mitigate truck noise and traffic. Due to the need to deliver products as quickly and efficiently as possible during this critical timeframe, this Order hereby suspends all delivery hour restrictions for transport to or from any entity involved in the selling or distribution of food products, medicine, or medical supplies in Dallas County for the next 60 days.
10. Due to increased demand for bath or toilet tissue resulting from stock up buying and individuals who purchase for resale, a mandatory limit on toilet paper sales is instituted until the supply chain meets the demand or two weeks, whichever comes first. All sales of bath or toilet tissue occurring in Dallas County are limited to the greater of: (a) twelve (12) rolls per purchase or (b) one (1) package per purchase. This provision does not apply to the sale of bath or tissue paper to a government organization or essential business.
11. Due to the public health emergency, the Office of the Dallas County Judge hereby advises the Dallas County Justices of the Peace to suspend eviction hearings and writs of possession for at least the next 60 days to prevent renters from being displaced. Nothing in the moratorium relieves tenants of liability for unpaid rent. Landlords should cap late fees for delayed payment of rent at fifteen dollars (\$15) per month.
12. If someone in a household has tested positive for coronavirus, the household is ordered to isolate at home. Members of the household cannot go to work, school, or any other



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community function, except for workers included in Essential Healthcare Operations who may continue to work in accordance with CDC guidance.

13. Nursing homes, retirement, and long-term care facilities are instructed by this Order to prohibit non-essential visitors from accessing their facilities unless to provide critical assistance or for end-of-life visitation.
14. Public and private schools and institutions of higher education are instructed by this Order to provide a safety plan to Dallas County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management 72 hours before students return to a classroom setting.
15. Additionally, the Office of the Dallas County Judge and the Health Authority instructs all employees to remain at home if sick. Employees of private businesses and nonprofits with six (6) or more employees in the City of Dallas can use their paid sick leave when they are sick or to care for sick family members.
16. This Order shall be in effect until 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020, or until it is either rescinded, superseded, or amended pursuant to applicable law.
17. The County of Dallas must promptly provide copies of this Order by posting on the Dallas County Health and Human Services website. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is strongly encouraged to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED

CLAY JENKINS
DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE



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EXHIBIT A

Rules for Essential Retailers

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus and protective measures to be taken in all establishments.

Definition of Essential Retailers.

1. Stores that Sell Groceries and Other Essential Supplies. Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, big-box stores, bodegas, liquor stores, convenience stores, and farmers' markets that sell food products and household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products.
2. Gas Stations and Businesses Needed for Transportation. Gas stations, auto-supply stores, auto-repair, and bicycle repair. Auto-dealerships, for in-person mechanical services or to complete an online transaction on an appointment basis only.
3. Other Essential Retailers. Pet food and supply stores. Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers, hardware stores, and related facilities. Firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security. Hardware stores and business that sell electrical, plumbing, and other materials necessary to support Essential Businesses, and Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure.

Safety Rules for All Essential Retailers. All employers involved in essential retail activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to an Essential Retailer. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, an Essential Retailer must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all employees with a forehead thermometer before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
6. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;



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7. Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift.
8. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so employees may follow hygiene guidelines;
9. There shall be no adverse action taken against an employee who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the employee has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
10. Employers must designate both a member of management as the COVID-19 Safety Monitor and a senior hourly worker (that is not a member of management) as the COVID-19 Vice Safety Monitor at each store to have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

General Rules for Essential Retailers.

1. Employers shall implement an organized line system where employees, customers, and other persons are not less than six feet apart at all times;
2. To the greatest extent practicable, designate shopping times for at risk populations (seniors, pregnant people, and people with underlying health conditions);
3. To the greatest extent possible, implement a system to restrict the number of customers who are physically present at an Essential Retailer so that six foot spacing may be maintained;
4. Employers shall implement purchase limits on high-demand items (toilet paper, soap, hand sanitizer). These purchase limits do not apply to a government organization or essential business;
5. To the greatest extent possible, employers shall offer pick up services or delivery services of grocery items and other essential supplies; and
6. Self-service food stations are prohibited. Self-service stations are defined as items that customers use common serving utensils to serve themselves, including but not limited to, salad bars, hot dog stands, self-service bulk food items, and other related food items. This section does not apply to self-checkout stations, so long as the checkout stations are cleaned at least every 30 minutes.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any essential retailer who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT B

Rules for the Construction Industry

Reason for Construction Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Construction as Critical Infrastructure. The Order classified construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools as critical infrastructure. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited.

Requirements for Construction. All employers involved in construction activity must follow the requirements set forth in the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition, including the rules below:

1. All workers and contractors (hereafter referred to as “workers”) must take their temperature at their residence. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible, implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker or contractor has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
3. To the greatest extent possible, shift work must be implemented such that each shift shall have no more than fifty percent (50%) of the workers who were on shift on March 16, 2020. Once assigned to a shift, workers shall not change from one shift to another;
4. To the greatest extent possible, limit crossover of subcontractors;
5. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
6. Workers must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
7. Workers must not use a common water cooler. Employers shall provide individual water bottles or instruct workers to bring their own;
8. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
9. Employers must provide soap and water and hand sanitizer in the workplace, including all restrooms. Ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
10. If running water is available at the site, workers must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, when they remove gloves, and before and after the use of shared items such as tools or multi-user devices, before and after any meal or restroom breaks, and when their shift or work time ends.
11. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines;
12. Employers must provide one (1) working flushing toilet for every fifteen (15) workers on site or one (1) outdoor portable toilet for every 10 workers on site;
13. There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not



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- reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
14. Employers must designate a COVID-19 safety monitor on each site who has the authority to enforce these rules;

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any general contractor or subcontractor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT C

Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Definition of Critical Manufacturers and Distributors. This Order defines Critical Manufacturing and Distribution as the industries listed in the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0.

Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors. All employers involved in critical manufacturing and distribution activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work at a manufacturing or distribution center. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors check the temperature of all employees before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a six (6) foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. To the extent practicable, employers shall adjust shift timing to allow for greater physical distance between employees;
6. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
7. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms. Employers shall ensure that adequate supplies of soap and hand sanitizer are maintained;
8. Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to departing the work site.
9. Employers shall discourage employees from sharing work tools when possible.
10. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so employees may follow hygiene guidelines;
11. There shall be no adverse action taken against an employee who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
12. Employers must designate both a member of management as the COVID-19 Safety Monitor and a senior hourly employee (that is not a member of management), or a non-management



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employee if an hourly employee is not available, as the COVID-19 Vice Safety Monitor at each site to have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any manufacturer and distributor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT D

Rules for Financial Institutions

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

1. Check Cashing Businesses

Application. For the purpose of this Order, "Check Cashing Business" means a person or entity that for compensation engages, in whole or in part, in the business of cashing checks, drafts, money orders, traveler's checks or other instruments for the transmission or payment of money. This Order does not apply to a retail seller engaged primarily in the business of selling consumer goods, including consumables, to retail buyers that cash checks or issue money orders as a service to its customers that is incidental to its main purpose or business.

Interest and Fees. Fees shall not exceed 2% of the amount of the check, draft, or money order, or \$2, whichever is greater. Interest on a loan or advance of money shall not exceed 15% per annum of the total amount of the advance, provided that total fees associated with the loan do not exceed \$75, regardless of the name or type of charge. A check cashing business may charge only those charges expressly authorized in this Order in connection with a loan or advance issued.

Safety Rules. All check cashing businesses must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

- a) All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
- b) To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
- c) Employees must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
- d) Employers shall restrict the number of customers physically present in the store to only those people necessary to complete the transaction as determined by the customer. All other individuals must remain outside the store while the transaction is completed;
- e) Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
- f) Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Employers must ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
- g) Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift;



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- h) Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines; and
- i) There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy.

2. Pawnshops

Application. These rules apply to all locations or premises at which a pawnbroker regularly conducts business.

Interest and Fees. Interest on a loan of money extended pursuant to a pawn transaction shall not exceed 15% per annum of the total amount of the advance, provided that total fees associated with the loan do not exceed \$75, regardless of the name or type of charge. A pawnshop may charge only those charges expressly authorized in this Order in connection with a pawnshop loan.

Minimum Term Length. A pawnshop shall hold the goods pledged as collateral for at least 120 days after the end of the Emergency Declaration issued by Judge Jenkins or the end of the Emergency Declaration issued by Governor Abbott, whichever is later.

Safety Rules. All pawnshops must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

- a) All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
- b) To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
- c) Employees must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
- d) Employers shall restrict the number of customers so that only one customer is physically present in the store at a time;
- e) Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
- f) Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Employers must ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
- g) Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift;
- h) Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines; and
- i) There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to



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work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy.

3) **Enforcement**

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any financial institution who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT E

Rules for Common Carriers, Shipper, Delivery Services, and Related Companies

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Definition of Common Carriers. All employers which are common carriers, motor carriers, private carriers, shippers, delivery services, moving companies and contract carriers which load or unload cargo, supplies, equipment or goods at any point located in Dallas County.

Rules for Common Carriers. All employers involved in trucking, shipping, delivery and moving services, and related industries must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors check the temperature of all employees before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a six (6) foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. To the extent practicable, employers shall adjust shift timing to allow for greater physical distance between employees, including coordination between dispatch and scheduling so that there is no overlap between crews traveling to different locations;
6. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
7. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms. Employers shall ensure that adequate supplies of soap and hand sanitizer are maintained. Hand sanitizer must be available in each vehicle;
8. Workers must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift;
9. Employers must ensure that employees use gloves when handling shared tools or equipment (such as dollies, dock plates, and controls) and that employees wash their hands for at least 20 seconds after handling such tools or equipment;
10. To the greatest extent possible, drivers and other personnel should stay in their vehicles while the vehicles are being loaded and unloaded, unless required for employee safety;



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11. To the greatest extent possible, receipts, bills of lading, acknowledgements and other such documentation should be electronic so as minimize the need for personnel to physically sign and exchange documents;
12. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines;
13. There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) has not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
14. Employers must designate both a member of management and an employee who is not a member of management COVID-19 safety monitors at each of the business's warehouses, yards or other locations who have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any common carrier or related business who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT F

Rules for Real Estate Agents

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every Agent/Employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent exposure to coronavirus and protective measures to be taken in all real estate showing.

Definition of Real Estate Activity. For the purposes of this Order, real estate activity includes any activity governed by the Texas Real Estate License Act, the Inspector Act, the Residential Service Company Act, and the Timeshare Act.

Safety Rules for All Real Estate Agents/Employees. All realtors and their employees involved in essential real estate activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. Open Houses are prohibited;
2. All realtors and their employees (hereafter referred to as “realtors”) must take their temperature at their residence prior to any real estate showing. If an agent has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, they are prohibited from participating in any real estate showings and must remain at their residence;
3. Realtors and clients must travel to showings in separate vehicles;
4. Realtors, clients, and homeowners must follow the six-foot social distancing rule at all times;
5. Realtors and staff should limit in person contact and conduct business remotely as much as possible;
6. Realtors must wear a protective mask and provide new, unused protective masks to clients when touring a site;
7. Employers must designate a COVID-19 safety monitor at each real estate office who has the authority to enforce these rules;

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any realtor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT G

Guidance on Covering Nose and Mouth

A significant percentage of individuals with the COVID-19 virus lack symptoms. Because an infected person can transmit the virus to others before showing any symptoms, the covering of a person's nose and mouth when visiting an Essential Business is necessary to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. This is consistent with the findings of the CDC and Dallas County Health Authority.

Staying home is the best way to help reduce the spread of the virus, but if an individual must leave their place of residence to visit an Essential Business, wearing a fabric face mask shall be used as outlined in this Order. Wearing a face covering is not a substitute for maintaining 6-feet social distancing and hand washing, as these remain important steps to slowing the spread of the virus. The face coverings recommended are not surgical masks or N-95 respirators, which are critical supplies that must continue to be reserved for healthcare workers and first responders.

The public in general and Essential Business employees shall comply with the following:

- A. To the greatest extent possible, all persons over the age of two (2) shall wear some form of covering over their nose and mouth, such as a homemade mask, scarf, bandana or handkerchief, when:
 - 1) patronizing an Essential Business; and
 - 2) using public transportation, taxis, or ride shares.
- B. This section shall not apply to persons that are:
 - 1) riding in a personal vehicle;
 - 2) engaging in outdoor activity;
 - 3) eating; or
 - 4) when wearing a covering poses a greater mental or physical health, safety or security risk such as anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the cover without assistance.

Children under the age of two (including infants) should not wear cloth face coverings. Those between the ages of two and nine should use them but under adult supervision to ensure that the child can breathe safely and avoid choking or suffocation. Children with breathing problems should not wear a face covering. Parents and Guardians of children under 10 shall be responsible for appropriately masking children pursuant to this Order.

All COVID-19 Suspected Positives, those currently being tested, and untested individuals with cough and/or fever, and household members of same category of individuals shall not leave their residence without a mask or cloth face covering to prevent the spread to others.

To the greatest extent possible, all individuals working for an Essential Business must wear a mask or cloth face covering whenever in public and whenever performing job duties in the presence of



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others. To the greatest extent possible, employers shall provide employees with a mask or face covering. An owner or operator of an Essential Business may refuse admission or service to any individual who fails to wear face covering.

Medical grade (N95) and surgical masks should be reserved and used only by medical professionals and first responders. Cloth face coverings are not intended for use by healthcare workers, first responders, and others whose work requires close contact with people who are ill.

Cloth coverings should be made in accordance with CDC Guidance, which can be found here: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html>



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DCHHS Social Distancing Rules

1) Vulnerable Populations: Limit Outings

- Vulnerable populations include people who are:
 - 60 years old and older.
 - People with certain health conditions such as heart disease, lung disease, diabetes, kidney disease and weakened immune systems.
- For vulnerable populations, don't go to gatherings unless it is essential. Stay home. Avoid people who are sick.

2) Workplace and Businesses: Minimize Exposure

- Suspend nonessential employee travel.
- Ensure employees practice social distancing and do not work within six feet of one another.
- Urge essential employees to stay home when they are sick and maximize flexibility in sick leave benefits.
- Do not require a doctor's note for employees who are sick.
- Maximize telecommuting options.
- Persons who need to be at work to provide essential services of great benefit to the community must take steps in their workplace to minimize risk.

3) Cancel Non-essential Events

- Cancel non-essential events.
- Do not attend any events or gatherings if sick.
- For events that aren't cancelled, we recommend:
 - Having hand washing capabilities, hand sanitizers and tissues available.
 - Frequently cleaning high touch surface areas like counter tops and hand rails.
 - Finding ways to implement social distancing.

4) Schools: Safety First

- Do not have your child attend school if sick.
- If you have a child with chronic health conditions, consult the child's doctor about school attendance.
- Schools should equip all classrooms with hand sanitizers and tissues.
- Recommend rescheduling or cancelling events that are not essential.
- Explore remote teaching and online options to continue learning.
- Schools should develop a plan for citywide school closures, and families should prepare for further closures.

5) Transit: Cleaning and Protection

- Increase cleaning of vehicles and high touch surface areas.
- Provide hand washing/hand sanitizers and tissues in stations and on vehicles.
- Ensure social distancing practices are implemented to the full extent possible.



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6) Health Care Settings: Avoid as possible, protect the vulnerable

- Long-term care facilities should have a COVID-19 plan in accordance with CDC or state guidelines.
- Long-term care facilities should restrict all visitation except for certain compassionate care situations, such as end of life situations.
- The general public should avoid going to medical settings such as hospitals, nursing homes and long-term care facilities, even if you are not ill.
- If you are ill, call your health care provider ahead of time, and you may be able to be served by phone.
- Do not visit emergency rooms unless it is essential.
- Follow guidance and directions of all facilities.

7) Everyone: Do your part

The best way for all Dallas County residents to reduce their risk of getting sick, as with seasonal colds or the flu, still applies to prevent COVID-19:

- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Cough or sneeze into your elbow or a tissue. Throw the tissue in the trash.
- Stay home if you are sick.
- Avoid touching your face.
- Try alternatives to shaking hands, like an elbow bump or wave.
- If you have recently returned from a country, state or region with ongoing COVID-19 infections, monitor your health and follow the instructions of public health officials and CDC guidance.
- There is no recommendation to wear masks at this time to prevent yourself from getting sick.

You can also prepare for the disruption caused by an outbreak. Preparedness actions include:

- Prepare to work from home if that is possible for your job, and your employer.
- Make sure you have a supply of all essential medications for your family.
- Prepare a child care plan if you or a caregiver are sick.
- Make arrangements about how your family will manage school closures.
- Plan for how you can care for a sick family member without getting sick yourself.
- Take care of each other and check in by phone with friends, family and neighbors that are vulnerable to serious illness or death if they get COVID-19.
- Keep common spaces clean to help maintain a healthy environment for you and others. Frequently touched surfaces should be cleaned regularly with disinfecting sprays, wipes or common household cleaning products.

NOTE: This Amendment No. 6 to Exhibit B has been replaced.

SEE AMENDMENT No. 11 to EXHIBIT B (Page 039).

**AMENDMENT NO. 6
TO
EXHIBIT B
To Ordinance No. 4773**

**AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS
Safer-At-Home, dated April 16, 2020**



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AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS

Safer At Home Order

DATE AMENDED ORDER ISSUED: April 16, 2020

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency on March 12, 2020, due to a novel coronavirus now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Judge Jenkins issued an Order in furtherance of his authority to protect the safety and welfare of the public by slowing the spread of the virus;

WHEREAS, the on-going evaluation of circumstances related to the virus and the updated recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and the Texas Department of State Health Services warrant the March 12, 2020 Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins be amended;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump acknowledged the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic, releasing strict new guidelines to limit people's interactions, including that Americans should avoid groups of more than 10 people;

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Dallas County Commissioners Court issued an Order of Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Dallas County Emergency Management Plan and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster until 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020, unless rescinded by order of the Commissioners Court.

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the World Health Organization indicated that the United States has the potential to become the center of the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, this Emergency Order is necessary because of the propensity of the virus to spread person to person and also because the virus is physically causing property damage due to its proclivity to attach to surfaces for prolonged periods of time;

WHEREAS, this Emergency Order is necessary to protect the lives, health, welfare, and safety of the County's residents from the devastating impacts of this pandemic;

THEREFORE, the March 12, 2020, Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins is hereby AMENDED as follows:

Summary: The virus that causes 2019 Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) is easily transmitted through person to person contact, especially in group settings, and it is essential that the spread of the virus be slowed to protect the ability of public and private health care providers to handle the influx of new patients and safeguard public health and safety. Because of the risk of the rapid spread of the virus, and the need to protect the most vulnerable members of the community, this Order requires all individuals anywhere in Dallas County to shelter in place – that is, stay at home – except for certain essential activities and work to provide essential business and government services or perform essential public infrastructure construction, including housing. This Order



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takes effect at 1:00 p.m. on April 16, 2020 and will continue through 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020, subject to the limited exceptions and under the terms and conditions more particularly set forth below.

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 418.108, DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS ORDERS:

1. Effective as of 1:00 p.m. on April 16, 2020, and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020:
 - (a) All individuals currently living within Dallas County are ordered to shelter at their place of residence. For the purposes of this Order, residences include hotels, motels, shared rentals, and similar facilities. To the extent individuals are using shared or outdoor spaces, they must at all times as reasonably as possible maintain social distancing of at least six feet from any other person when they are outside their residence. All persons may leave their residences only for Essential Activities, or to provide or perform Essential Governmental Functions, or to operate Essential Businesses, all as defined in Section 2.
 - (b) All businesses operating within Dallas County, except Essential Businesses as defined in below in Section 2, are required to cease all activities at facilities located within the County except Minimum Basic Operations as defined in Section 2. For clarity, businesses may continue operations consisting exclusively of employees or contractors performing activities at their own residences (i.e. working from home). To the greatest extent possible, all Essential Businesses shall comply with the Social Distancing Rules attached, including maintaining six feet social distancing for both employees and the general public.
 - (c) Employees of Essential Businesses, whose physical presence at the workplace is not essential to operations, are directed to use telecommuting to the fullest extent possible.
 - (d) All public or private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit are prohibited, except as otherwise provided herein. Nothing in this Order prohibits the gathering of members of a household or living unit.
 - (e) All elective medical, surgical, and dental procedures are prohibited anywhere in Dallas County. Hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers, dental offices, and other medical facilities are directed to identify procedures that are deemed "elective" by assessing which procedures can be postponed or cancelled based on patient risk considering the emergency need for redirection of resources to COVID-19 response.
2. Definitions:
 - a. For purposes of this Order, individuals may leave their residence only to perform any of the following "**Essential Activities**":
 - i. To engage in activities or perform tasks essential to their health and safety, or to the health and safety of their family or household members (for



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example, obtaining medical supplies or medication, visiting a health care professional, or obtaining supplies need to work from home).

- ii. To obtain necessary services or supplies for themselves and their family or household members, or to deliver those services or supplies to others (for example, food, pet supply, and any other household consumer products, and products necessary to maintain the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences.
 - iii. To engage in outdoor activity, provided the individuals comply with social distancing requirements of six feet (for example, walking, biking, hiking, running, golfing, and tennis).
 - iv. To perform work providing essential products and services at an Essential Business or to otherwise carry out activities specifically permitted in this Order.
 - v. To care for a family member or pet in another household.
 - vi. To move to another residence either in or outside Dallas County.
 - vii. To engage in **"Essential Travel,"** which includes travel for any of the following purposes: (1) travel related to the provision of or access to Essential Activities, Essential Governmental Functions, Essential Businesses Essential Critical Infrastructure, and Minimum Basic Operation; (2) travel to care for elderly, minors, dependents, persons with disabilities, or other vulnerable persons; (3) travel to or from educational institutions for purposes of receiving materials for distance learning, for receiving meals, and any other related services; (4) travel to return to a place of residence from outside the jurisdiction; (5) travel required by law enforcement or court order; (6) travel by church staff or clergy for the purpose of production of remote delivery of religious services and other ministries requiring travel; (7) travel related to attending a funeral service; or (8) travel required for non-residents to return to their place of residence outside the County.
- b. For purposes of this Order, **"Essential Businesses"** means:
- i. **Essential Healthcare Operations.** Healthcare Operations includes but is not limited to hospitals, clinics, dentists, chiropractors, physical therapy, optometry offices, pharmacies, pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, other healthcare facilities, healthcare suppliers, mental health providers, substance abuse service providers, blood banks, medical research, laboratory services, certified doulas, or any related and/or ancillary healthcare services. Home-based and residential-based care for seniors, adults, or children are also considered healthcare operations. Healthcare operations also includes veterinary care and all health and welfare services provided to animals. This exemption shall be viewed broadly to avoid any impacts to the delivery of healthcare. Healthcare operations do not include fitness and exercise gyms, personal training, gymnastics studios, and similar facilities. Healthcare operations do not include elective medical, surgical, and dental procedures as established in accordance with Subsection 1(e) of this Order.



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- ii. **Essential Governmental Functions.** All services provided by local governments needed to ensure the continuing operation of the government agencies to provide for the health, safety and welfare of the public. Each governmental body will determine its Essential Governmental Functions and identify the employees and/or contractors necessary to the performance of those functions. Further, nothing in this order shall prohibit any individual from performing or accessing “Essential Governmental Functions.” All Essential Governmental Functions shall be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet, to the extent possible. This Order does not apply to Federal or State Government.
- iii. **Essential Critical Infrastructure.** All public and private facilities and assets, including both physical and cyber systems, and other functions and sectors vital to the security, governance, and public health, safety of Dallas County. Critical infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, utilities such as electricity, gas, water and wastewater, roads and highways, public transportation, solid waste and recycle collection and removal, oil refining, roads and highways, public transportation, defense and national security-related operations, and manufacturing operations supplying essential items to Essential Businesses, Essential Governmental Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. All manufacturers and distributors shall comply with the Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors set out in Exhibit C. Critical Infrastructure employers should implement screening precautions to protect employees and all activity shall be performed in compliance with social distancing guidelines attached. For reference, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0, can be found here: <https://www.cisa.gov/publication/guidance-essential-critical-infrastructure-workforce>
- iv. **Stores that Sell Groceries and Other Essential Supplies.** Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, big-box stores, bodegas, liquor stores, convenience stores, and farmers’ markets that sell food products and household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products. The sale of self-service food items is prohibited. Stores that sell groceries and other essential supplies shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- v. **Restaurants.** Restaurants with or without drive-in or drive-through services and microbreweries, micro-distilleries, or wineries may only provide take out, delivery, or drive-through services as allowed by law. In-person service is prohibited. Customers may order and pay inside, but are prohibited from waiting inside the restaurant for their food. All food must be brought outside to customers. To allow for increased access to restaurants, this Order hereby suspends all laws and regulations prohibiting people from walking in a drive-through.



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- vi. **Food Cultivation.** Food cultivation, including farming, fishing, and livestock.
- vii. **Delivery of Groceries and Essential Supplies.** Businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, hygiene products, and essential supplies directly to residences or essential businesses. All businesses that deliver groceries and essential supplies shall comply with the rules set out in Exhibit E.
- viii. **Transportation.** Operation, maintenance, and repair of airlines, taxis, and other private transportation providers (such as Uber and Lyft) that provide transportation services necessary for the performance of essential activities and essential travel.
- ix. **Gas Stations and Businesses Needed for Transportation.** Gas stations, auto-supply stores, auto-repair, and bicycle repair. Auto-dealerships, for in-person mechanical services or to complete an online transaction on an appointment basis only. Gas stations and convenience stores are prohibited from selling self-service food items. Gas stations and businesses needed for transportation shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- x. **Critical Trades.** Plumbers, electricians, exterminators, janitors, lawn care services, pool cleaners, maintenance and security, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operations of residences, Essential Businesses, Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Critical Trade does not include discretionary maintenance or improvements. Union representatives and their staff for the purpose of performing critical labor union functions, including the maintenance of health and welfare funds and checking on the well-being and safety of members.

Construction. Construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited. Protecting construction worker from the spread of COVID19 is extremely important for their safety and for public health, all construction sites must follow the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition, including, but not limited to, the Rules for Construction Industry set out in Exhibit B. Failure to strictly comply with this Order can result in penalties described below. Additionally, the general contractor and non-compliant subcontractor can be removed from the essential business list.
- xi. **Professional Services.** Professional services, such as legal or accounting services, when necessary to assist in compliance with legally mandated activities or services necessary to avoid imminent harm to a client. Real estate and inspection services, so long as they comply with the rules set out in Exhibit F.
- xii. **Financial Institutions.** Banks and related depository financial institutions, credit unions, insurance companies, title companies, payroll and accounting services. Check cashing businesses and pawnshops so long as they comply with the rules set out in Exhibit D. A copy of Exhibit D must be prominently



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displayed in each establishment in English and Spanish and a copy must also be provided to each customer in the customer's preferred language.

- xiii. **Information Technology Services/Telecommunications Services.** IT and IT services and their essential service vendors, including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and web-based services, and critical manufacturing, as well as telecommunications services, internet access and broadband/communications services.
- xiv. **Essential Retail.** Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers, hardware stores, and related facilities. Firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security. Hardware stores and business that sell electrical, plumbing, and other materials necessary to support Essential Businesses, and Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Essential retail establishments shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- xv. **Hotels and Motels.** Hotels and motels, to the extent used for lodging or delivery or carry-out food services.
- xvi. **Short-Term Rentals.** Short-term rental of all or part of a residential property to a person who is not a permanent resident is prohibited. Within the meaning of this Order, a "permanent resident" is a person who has the right to use or possess a room at the residential property for at least 30 consecutive days, so long as there is no interruption of payment for the period. This Order does not prohibit short-term rental to hospital employees or other licensed healthcare professionals, military personnel, law enforcement personnel, government employees, or Dallas County residents who need a place to self-quarantine away from their family and/or roommates. Renters currently occupying short-term rental properties shall be permitted to complete the current rental contract but are required to follow the requirements of this order
- xvii. **Providers of Basic Necessities to Economically Disadvantaged Populations.** Businesses or organizations that provide food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals.
- xviii. **Essential Services Necessary to Maintain Essential Operations of Residences or Other Essential Businesses.** . Businesses or services that supply other Essential Businesses, Essential Government Services, and Critical Infrastructure with the support or supplies needed to operate; including but not limited to mail, shipping and delivery services, warehouse/distribution and fulfillment, storage, moving services, janitorial services, laundry services, computer, audio or video electronics, sanitary equipment, and medical equipment.. To the extent possible, services shall be provided in compliance with Social Distancing Rules attached, including distancing of six feet and routine use of hand sanitizer. All employers that are common carriers, motor carriers, private carriers,



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shippers, delivery services, moving companies and contract carriers that load or unload cargo, supplies, equipment or goods at any point located in Dallas County shall comply with the rules set out in Exhibit E.

- xix. **Supplies to Work From Home.** Businesses that supply products needed for people to work from home.
- xx. **Public and Private Education.** Public and private educational institutions, only for the purposes of facilitating distance learning or performing essential functions, provided compliance with the Social Distancing Rules is maintained
- xxi. **News Media.** Newspapers, television, radio, and other media services.
- xxii. **Childcare Services.** Childcare facilities providing services or community service providers offering childcare services under the following mandatory conditions:
 - 1. Childcare services shall only be provided to employees of Essential Businesses;
 - 2. Childcare must be carried out in stable groups of 12 or fewer ("stable" means that the same 12 or fewer children are in the same group each day);
 - 3. Children shall not change from one group to another;
 - 4. If more than one group of children is cared for at one facility, each group shall be in a separate room. Groups shall not mix with each other;
 - 5. Childcare providers shall remain solely with one group of children.
- xxiii. **Animal Care Services.** Animal shelters, veterinary care, and pet food and supply stores. Grooming, if necessary for the health and wellbeing of the animal. Pet daycare, but only for employees of Essential Businesses. To the greatest extent possible, all services must be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet. Pet food and supply stores shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- xxiv. **Religious and Worship Services.** Religious and worship services may only be provided by audio, video, and teleconference. Religious institutions must limit in-person staff to ten (10) people or less at one time, and twenty-five (25) people total per day, when preparing for or conducting video or teleconference services, and all individuals must follow the Social Distancing Rules including the six feet social distancing.
- xxv. **Funeral Services.** Funeral, mortuary, cremation, burial, cemetery, and related services, provided that social distancing of six feet per person is maintained to the greatest extent possible.
- c. For purposes of this Order, **Minimum Basic Operations** means the following, provided that employees comply with the Social Distancing Rules:
 - i. The minimum necessary activities to maintain the value of the business's inventory, ensure security, process payroll and employee benefits, or for related functions.



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- ii. The minimum necessary activities to facilitate employees of the business being able to continue to work remotely from their residences.
- d. **Covering of Nose and Mouth:** Because an infected person can transmit the COVID-19 virus to others before showing any symptoms, the covering of a person's nose and mouth is necessary to help slow the spread of the virus. Effective at 11:59 p.m. on April 17, 2020, to the greatest extent possible all persons over the age of two (2) shall wear some form of covering over their nose and mouth, such as a homemade mask, scarf, bandana or handkerchief, when patronizing an Essential Business or using public transportation pursuant to the rules outlined in Exhibit G. Parents and Guardians of children under 10 shall be responsible for appropriately masking children pursuant to this Order. To the greatest extent possible, all non-medical employees who work at an Essential Businesses or perform services that are exempt under this Order must wear face coverings over their noses and mouths while performing their work. An owner or operator of an Essential Business may refuse admission or service to any individual who fails to wear face covering. Wearing a face covering is not a substitute for maintaining 6-foot social distancing and hand washing, as these remain important steps to slowing the spread of the virus.
3. The Dallas County Sheriff's Office, the Dallas County Fire Marshal's Office, and other peace officers, are hereby authorized to enforce this Order. A violation of this order may be punishable through criminal or civil enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days.
4. Any manufacturer who retools their business for the purpose of manufacturing and producing ventilators, masks, personal protective equipment, or any supply necessary for Essential Healthcare Operations may apply for an "essential business" exemption under this Order. Apply for a business exemption at <https://www.dallascounty.org/covid-19/ways-to-help.php> under the "Apply for an Essential Business Exemption" tab.
5. All public, private, and commercial laboratories operating within Dallas County and performing COVID-19 testing shall report by 5:00 p.m. each day for the prior 24-hour period:
 - a. The number of COVID-19 tests performed; and
 - b. The number of positive COVID-19 tests.

Reports shall be made to Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins at Clay.Jenkins@dallascounty.org and Dallas County Health and Human Services Director Dr. Philip Huang at Philip.Huang@dallascounty.org. Reporting laboratories shall not provide names or any other identifiable health information that could be used to identify an individual patient.

6. Door-to-door solicitation creates an unnecessary face-to-face situation for residents who are home in greater numbers due to the closure of schools and businesses, potentially endangering the health of residents. Under this Order, door-to-door solicitation is prohibited, including the leaving of written materials on the door or mailbox of a



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residence. This provision does not apply to any business in the grocery supply chain or any non-profit providing community resources for those effected by the coronavirus. Nothing in this Order prohibits utility companies or government agencies from contacting individuals at their residences to perform their normal business functions.

7. Employers shall not implement any rules making a negative COVID-19 test or a note from a healthcare provider a requirement before a COVID-19 recovered employee can return to work.
8. Under this Order, no person shall sell any of the following goods or services for more than the regular retail price the person charged for the goods or services on March 16, 2020, except where an increased retail price is the result of increased supplier or other costs (including the loss of supplier supporting funds):
 - a. groceries, beverages, toilet articles, and ice;
 - b. restaurant, cafeteria, and boarding-house meals; and
 - c. medicine, pharmaceutical and medical equipment, and supplies.
9. Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, hospitals, and medical facilities are experiencing high levels of demand for a large number of products, requiring more deliveries from manufacturers and distribution centers to serve their customers. A number of Texas cities and local associations have implemented restrictions on delivery hours to stores to mitigate truck noise and traffic. Due to the need to deliver products as quickly and efficiently as possible during this critical timeframe, this Order hereby suspends all delivery hour restrictions for transport to or from any entity involved in the selling or distribution of food products, medicine, or medical supplies in Dallas County for the next 60 days.
10. Due to increased demand for bath or toilet tissue resulting from stock up buying and individuals who purchase for resale, a mandatory limit on toilet paper sales is instituted until the supply chain meets the demand or two weeks, whichever comes first. All sales of bath or toilet tissue occurring in Dallas County are limited to the greater of: (a) twelve (12) rolls per purchase or (b) one (1) package per purchase. This provision does not apply to the sale of bath or tissue paper to a government organization or essential business.
11. Due to the public health emergency, the Office of the Dallas County Judge hereby advises the Dallas County Justices of the Peace to suspend eviction hearings and writs of possession for at least the next 60 days to prevent renters from being displaced. Nothing in the moratorium relieves tenants of liability for unpaid rent. Landlords should cap late fees for delayed payment of rent at fifteen dollars (\$15) per month.
12. If someone in a household has tested positive for coronavirus, the household is ordered to isolate at home. Members of the household cannot go to work, school, or any other community function, except for workers included in Essential Healthcare Operations who may continue to work in accordance with CDC guidance.
13. Nursing homes, retirement, and long-term care facilities are instructed by this Order to prohibit non-essential visitors from accessing their facilities unless to provide critical assistance or for end-of-life visitation.
14. Public and private schools and institutions of higher education are instructed by this Order to provide a safety plan to Dallas County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management 72 hours before students return to a classroom setting.



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15. Additionally, the Office of the Dallas County Judge and the Health Authority instructs all employees to remain at home if sick. Employees of private businesses and nonprofits with six (6) or more employees in the City of Dallas can use their paid sick leave when they are sick or to care for sick family members.
16. This Order shall be in effect until 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020, or until it is either rescinded, superseded, or amended pursuant to applicable law.
17. The County of Dallas must promptly provide copies of this Order by posting on the Dallas County Health and Human Services website. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is strongly encouraged to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED

CLAY JENKINS
DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE



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EXHIBIT A

Rules for Essential Retailers

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus and protective measures to be taken in all establishments.

Definition of Essential Retailers.

1. Stores that Sell Groceries and Other Essential Supplies. Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, big-box stores, bodegas, liquor stores, convenience stores, and farmers' markets that sell food products and household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products.
2. Gas Stations and Businesses Needed for Transportation. Gas stations, auto-supply stores, auto-repair, and bicycle repair. Auto-dealerships, for in-person mechanical services or to complete an online transaction on an appointment basis only.
3. Other Essential Retailers. Pet food and supply stores. Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers, hardware stores, and related facilities. Firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security. Hardware stores and business that sell electrical, plumbing, and other materials necessary to support Essential Businesses, and Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure.

Safety Rules for All Essential Retailers. All employers involved in essential retail activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to an Essential Retailer. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, an Essential Retailer must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all employees with a forehead thermometer before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
6. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;



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7. Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift.
8. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so employees may follow hygiene guidelines;
9. There shall be no adverse action taken against an employee who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the employee has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
10. Employers must designate both a member of management as the COVID-19 Safety Monitor and a senior hourly worker (that is not a member of management) as the COVID-19 Vice Safety Monitor at each store to have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

General Rules for Essential Retailers.

1. Employers shall implement an organized line system where employees, customers, and other persons are not less than six feet apart at all times;
2. To the greatest extent practicable, designate shopping times for at risk populations (seniors, pregnant people, and people with underlying health conditions);
3. To the greatest extent possible, implement a system to restrict the number of customers who are physically present at an Essential Retailer so that six foot spacing may be maintained;
4. Employers shall implement purchase limits on high-demand items (toilet paper, soap, hand sanitizer). These purchase limits do not apply to a government organization or essential business;
5. To the greatest extent possible, employers shall offer pick up services or delivery services of grocery items and other essential supplies; and
6. Self-service food stations are prohibited. Self-service stations are defined as items that customers use common serving utensils to serve themselves, including but not limited to, salad bars, hot dog stands, self-service bulk food items, and other related food items. This section does not apply to self-checkout stations, so long as the checkout stations are cleaned at least every 30 minutes.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any essential retailer who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT B

Rules for the Construction Industry

Reason for Construction Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Construction as Critical Infrastructure. The Order classified construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools as critical infrastructure. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited.

Requirements for Construction. All employers involved in construction activity must follow the requirements set forth in the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition, including the rules below:

1. All workers and contractors (hereafter referred to as “workers”) must take their temperature at their residence. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible, implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker or contractor has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
3. To the greatest extent possible, shift work must be implemented such that each shift shall have no more than fifty percent (50%) of the workers who were on shift on March 16, 2020. Once assigned to a shift, workers shall not change from one shift to another;
4. To the greatest extent possible, limit crossover of subcontractors;
5. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
6. Workers must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
7. Workers must not use a common water cooler. Employers shall provide individual water bottles or instruct workers to bring their own;
8. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
9. Employers must provide soap and water and hand sanitizer in the workplace, including all restrooms. Ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
10. If running water is available at the site, workers must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, when they remove gloves, and before and after the use of shared items such as tools or multi-user devices, before and after any meal or restroom breaks, and when their shift or work time ends.
11. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines;
12. Employers must provide one (1) working flushing toilet for every fifteen (15) workers on site or one (1) outdoor portable toilet for every 10 workers on site;
13. There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not



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- reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
14. Employers must designate a COVID-19 safety monitor on each site who has the authority to enforce these rules;

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any general contractor or subcontractor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT C

Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Definition of Critical Manufacturers and Distributors. This Order defines Critical Manufacturing and Distribution as the industries listed in the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0.

Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors. All employers involved in critical manufacturing and distribution activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work at a manufacturing or distribution center. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors check the temperature of all employees before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a six (6) foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. To the extent practicable, employers shall adjust shift timing to allow for greater physical distance between employees;
6. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
7. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms. Employers shall ensure that adequate supplies of soap and hand sanitizer are maintained;
8. Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to departing the work site.
9. Employers shall discourage employees from sharing work tools when possible.
10. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so employees may follow hygiene guidelines;
11. There shall be no adverse action taken against an employee who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
12. Employers must designate both a member of management as the COVID-19 Safety Monitor and a senior hourly employee (that is not a member of management), or a non-management



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employee if an hourly employee is not available, as the COVID-19 Vice Safety Monitor at each site to have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any manufacturer and distributor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT D

Rules for Financial Institutions

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

1. Check Cashing Businesses

Application. For the purpose of this Order, "Check Cashing Business" means a person or entity that for compensation engages, in whole or in part, in the business of cashing checks, drafts, money orders, traveler's checks or other instruments for the transmission or payment of money. This Order does not apply to a retail seller engaged primarily in the business of selling consumer goods, including consumables, to retail buyers that cash checks or issue money orders as a service to its customers that is incidental to its main purpose or business.

Interest and Fees. Fees shall not exceed 2% of the amount of the check, draft, or money order, or \$2, whichever is greater. Interest on a loan or advance of money shall not exceed 15% per annum of the total amount of the advance, provided that total fees associated with the loan do not exceed \$75, regardless of the name or type of charge. A check cashing business may charge only those charges expressly authorized in this Order in connection with a loan or advance issued.

Safety Rules. All check cashing businesses must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

- a) All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
- b) To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
- c) Employees must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
- d) Employers shall restrict the number of customers physically present in the store to only those people necessary to complete the transaction as determined by the customer. All other individuals must remain outside the store while the transaction is completed;
- e) Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
- f) Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Employers must ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
- g) Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift;



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- h) Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines; and
- i) There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy.

2. Pawnshops

Application. These rules apply to all locations or premises at which a pawnbroker regularly conducts business.

Interest and Fees. Interest on a loan of money extended pursuant to a pawn transaction shall not exceed 15% per annum of the total amount of the advance, provided that total fees associated with the loan do not exceed \$75, regardless of the name or type of charge. A pawnshop may charge only those charges expressly authorized in this Order in connection with a pawnshop loan.

Minimum Term Length. A pawnshop shall hold the goods pledged as collateral for at least 120 days after the end of the Emergency Declaration issued by Judge Jenkins or the end of the Emergency Declaration issued by Governor Abbott, whichever is later.

Safety Rules. All pawnshops must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

- a) All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
- b) To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
- c) Employees must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
- d) Employers shall restrict the number of customers so that only one customer is physically present in the store at a time;
- e) Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
- f) Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Employers must ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
- g) Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift;
- h) Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines; and
- i) There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to



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work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy.

3) **Enforcement**

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any financial institution who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT E

Rules for Common Carriers, Shipper, Delivery Services, and Related Companies

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Definition of Common Carriers. All employers which are common carriers, motor carriers, private carriers, shippers, delivery services, moving companies and contract carriers which load or unload cargo, supplies, equipment or goods at any point located in Dallas County.

Rules for Common Carriers. All employers involved in trucking, shipping, delivery and moving services, and related industries must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors check the temperature of all employees before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a six (6) foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. To the extent practicable, employers shall adjust shift timing to allow for greater physical distance between employees, including coordination between dispatch and scheduling so that there is no overlap between crews traveling to different locations;
6. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
7. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms. Employers shall ensure that adequate supplies of soap and hand sanitizer are maintained. Hand sanitizer must be available in each vehicle;
8. Workers must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift;
9. Employers must ensure that employees use gloves when handling shared tools or equipment (such as dollies, dock plates, and controls) and that employees wash their hands for at least 20 seconds after handling such tools or equipment;
10. To the greatest extent possible, drivers and other personnel should stay in their vehicles while the vehicles are being loaded and unloaded, unless required for employee safety;



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11. To the greatest extent possible, receipts, bills of lading, acknowledgements and other such documentation should be electronic so as minimize the need for personnel to physically sign and exchange documents;
12. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines;
13. There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) has not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
14. Employers must designate both a member of management and an employee who is not a member of management COVID-19 safety monitors at each of the business's warehouses, yards or other locations who have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any common carrier or related business who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT F

Rules for Real Estate Agents

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every Agent/Employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent exposure to coronavirus and protective measures to be taken in all real estate showing.

Definition of Real Estate Activity. For the purposes of this Order, real estate activity includes any activity governed by the Texas Real Estate License Act, the Inspector Act, the Residential Service Company Act, and the Timeshare Act.

Safety Rules for All Real Estate Agents/Employees. All realtors and their employees involved in essential real estate activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. Open Houses are prohibited;
2. All realtors and their employees (hereafter referred to as “realtors”) must take their temperature at their residence prior to any real estate showing. If an agent has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, they are prohibited from participating in any real estate showings and must remain at their residence;
3. Realtors and clients must travel to showings in separate vehicles;
4. Realtors, clients, and homeowners must follow the six-foot social distancing rule at all times;
5. Realtors and staff should limit in person contact and conduct business remotely as much as possible;
6. Realtors must wear a protective mask and provide new, unused protective masks to clients when touring a site;
7. Employers must designate a COVID-19 safety monitor at each real estate office who has the authority to enforce these rules;

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any realtor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT G

Guidance on Covering Nose and Mouth

A significant percentage of individuals with the COVID-19 virus lack symptoms. Because an infected person can transmit the virus to others before showing any symptoms, the covering of a person's nose and mouth when visiting an Essential Business is necessary to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. This is consistent with the findings of the CDC and Dallas County Health Authority.

Staying home is the best way to help reduce the spread of the virus, but if an individual must leave their place of residence to visit an Essential Business, wearing a fabric face mask shall be used as outlined in this Order. Wearing a face covering is not a substitute for maintaining 6-feet social distancing and hand washing, as these remain important steps to slowing the spread of the virus. The face coverings recommended are not surgical masks or N-95 respirators, which are critical supplies that must continue to be reserved for healthcare workers and first responders.

The public in general and Essential Business employees shall comply with the following:

- A. To the greatest extent possible, all persons over the age of two (2) shall wear some form of covering over their nose and mouth, such as a homemade mask, scarf, bandana or handkerchief, when:
 - 1) patronizing an Essential Business; and
 - 2) using public transportation, taxis, or ride shares.
- B. This section shall not apply to persons that are:
 - 1) riding in a personal vehicle;
 - 2) engaging in outdoor activity;
 - 3) eating; or
 - 4) when wearing a covering poses a greater mental or physical health, safety or security risk such as anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the cover without assistance.

Children under the age of two (including infants) should not wear cloth face coverings. Those between the ages of two and nine should use them but under adult supervision to ensure that the child can breathe safely and avoid choking or suffocation. Children with breathing problems should not wear a face covering. Parents and Guardians of children under 10 shall be responsible for appropriately masking children pursuant to this Order.

All COVID-19 Suspected Positives, those currently being tested, and untested individuals with cough and/or fever, and household members of same category of individuals shall not leave their residence without a mask or cloth face covering to prevent the spread to others.

To the greatest extent possible, all individuals working for an Essential Business must wear a mask or cloth face covering whenever in public and whenever performing job duties in the presence of



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others. To the greatest extent possible, employers shall provide employees with a mask or face covering. An owner or operator of an Essential Business may refuse admission or service to any individual who fails to wear face covering.

Medical grade (N95) and surgical masks should be reserved and used only by medical professionals and first responders. Cloth face coverings are not intended for use by healthcare workers, first responders, and others whose work requires close contact with people who are ill.

Cloth coverings should be made in accordance with CDC Guidance, which can be found here: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html>



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DCHHS Social Distancing Rules

1) Vulnerable Populations: Limit Outings

- Vulnerable populations include people who are:
 - 60 years old and older.
 - People with certain health conditions such as heart disease, lung disease, diabetes, kidney disease and weakened immune systems.
- For vulnerable populations, don't go to gatherings unless it is essential. Stay home. Avoid people who are sick.

2) Workplace and Businesses: Minimize Exposure

- Suspend nonessential employee travel.
- Ensure employees practice social distancing and do not work within six feet of one another.
- Urge essential employees to stay home when they are sick and maximize flexibility in sick leave benefits.
- Do not require a doctor's note for employees who are sick.
- Maximize telecommuting options.
- Persons who need to be at work to provide essential services of great benefit to the community must take steps in their workplace to minimize risk.

3) Cancel Non-essential Events

- Cancel non-essential events.
- Do not attend any events or gatherings if sick.
- For events that aren't cancelled, we recommend:
 - Having hand washing capabilities, hand sanitizers and tissues available.
 - Frequently cleaning high touch surface areas like counter tops and hand rails.
 - Finding ways to implement social distancing..

4) Schools: Safety First

- Do not have your child attend school if sick.
- If you have a child with chronic health conditions, consult the child's doctor about school attendance.
- Schools should equip all classrooms with hand sanitizers and tissues.
- Recommend rescheduling or cancelling events that are not essential.
- Explore remote teaching and online options to continue learning.
- Schools should develop a plan for citywide school closures, and families should prepare for further closures.

5) Transit: Cleaning and Protection

- Increase cleaning of vehicles and high touch surface areas.
- Provide hand washing/hand sanitizers and tissues in stations and on vehicles.
- Ensure social distancing practices are implemented to the full extent possible.



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6) Health Care Settings: Avoid as possible, protect the vulnerable

- Long-term care facilities should have a COVID-19 plan in accordance with CDC or state guidelines.
- Long-term care facilities should restrict all visitation except for certain compassionate care situations, such as end of life situations.
- The general public should avoid going to medical settings such as hospitals, nursing homes and long-term care facilities, even if you are not ill.
- If you are ill, call your health care provider ahead of time, and you may be able to be served by phone.
- Do not visit emergency rooms unless it is essential.
- Follow guidance and directions of all facilities.

7) Everyone: Do your part

The best way for all Dallas County residents to reduce their risk of getting sick, as with seasonal colds or the flu, still applies to prevent COVID-19:

- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Cough or sneeze into your elbow or a tissue. Throw the tissue in the trash.
- Stay home if you are sick.
- Avoid touching your face.
- Try alternatives to shaking hands, like an elbow bump or wave.
- If you have recently returned from a country, state or region with ongoing COVID-19 infections, monitor your health and follow the instructions of public health officials and CDC guidance.
- There is no recommendation to wear masks at this time to prevent yourself from getting sick.

You can also prepare for the disruption caused by an outbreak. Preparedness actions include:

- Prepare to work from home if that is possible for your job, and your employer.
- Make sure you have a supply of all essential medications for your family.
- Prepare a child care plan if you or a caregiver are sick.
- Make arrangements about how your family will manage school closures.
- Plan for how you can care for a sick family member without getting sick yourself.
- Take care of each other and check in by phone with friends, family and neighbors that are vulnerable to serious illness or death if they get COVID-19.
- Keep common spaces clean to help maintain a healthy environment for you and others. Frequently touched surfaces should be cleaned regularly with disinfecting sprays, wipes or common household cleaning products.



Stay Home Stay Safe

Frequently Asked Questions: Cloth Face Coverings

This document provides public health information on how members of the general public can safely use cloth face coverings when they need to leave their home for a short period of time to obtain essential goods or services. Members of the general public should use a clean face covering anytime they will be in contact with other people who are not household members in public or private spaces. It is important to note that face coverings are not a substitute for always practicing physical distancing and frequent handwashing.

What is a cloth face covering?

A cloth face covering is a material that covers the nose and mouth. It can be secured to the head with ties or straps or simply wrapped around the lower face. It can be made of a variety of materials, such as cotton, silk, or linen. A cloth face covering may be factory-made or sewn by hand or can be improvised from household items such as scarfs, T-shirts, sweatshirts, or towels.

What can I use to cover my face?

Acceptable, reusable face covering options for the general public include:

- Homemade face covering
- Bandana
- Scarf
- Tightly woven fabric, such as cotton t-shirts and some types of towels

Why wear a face cover?

Recent information has indicated that covering your nose and mouth can slow the spread of COVID-19 because:

- Individuals can be contagious before the onset of symptoms. You may be contagious and do not know it. If you have covered your nose and mouth, it can limit the spread of COVID-19.
- We touch our face less when our face is covered. Touching your face after touching something contaminated with COVID-19 increases your chances of getting sick with COVID-19.



When should I wear a cloth face covering?

You are asked to wear a cloth face covering over your nose and mouth when you must be in public to visit an essential business, such as shopping at the grocery store. Wearing a cloth face covering does not eliminate the need to physically distance yourself from others and to wash your hands frequently.

How well do cloth face coverings work to prevent the spread of COVID-19?

There is limited evidence to suggest that the use of cloth face coverings by the public during a pandemic could help reduce disease transmission. Their primary role is to reduce the release of infectious particles into the air when someone speaks, coughs, or sneezes, including someone who has COVID-19 but feels well. Cloth face coverings are not a substitute for physical distancing and washing hands and staying home when ill, but they may be helpful when combined with these primary interventions. If you plan to use a face covering it is important to keep your nose and mouth covered. Lowering the covering from your nose and mouth while talking defeats the purpose of wearing the face covering since you can spread virus while you talk.

How should I care for a cloth face covering?

It's a good idea to wash your cloth face covering frequently, ideally after each use, or at least daily. Have a bag or bin to store cloth face coverings until they can be laundered with detergent and hot water and dried on a hot cycle. If you must re-wear your cloth face covering before washing, wash your hands immediately after putting it back on and avoid touching your face. Discard cloth face coverings that:

- No longer cover the nose and mouth
- Have stretched out or damaged ties or straps
- Cannot stay on the face
- Have holes or tears in the fabric

NOTE: This Amendment No. 5 to Exhibit B has been replaced.

SEE AMENDMENT No. 11 to EXHIBIT B (Page 039).

**AMENDMENT NO. 5
TO
EXHIBIT B
To Ordinance No. 4773**

AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS
Safer-At-Home, dated April 8, 2020



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AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS

Safer At Home Order

DATE AMENDED ORDER ISSUED: April 8, 2020

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency on March 12, 2020, due to a novel coronavirus now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Judge Jenkins issued an Order in furtherance of his authority to protect the safety and welfare of the public by slowing the spread of the virus;

WHEREAS, the on-going evaluation of circumstances related to the virus and the updated recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and the Texas Department of State Health Services warrant the March 12, 2020 Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins be amended;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump acknowledged the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic, releasing strict new guidelines to limit people's interactions, including that Americans should avoid groups of more than 10 people;

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Dallas County Commissioners Court issued an Order of Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Dallas County Emergency Management Plan and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster until 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020, unless rescinded by order of the Commissioners Court.

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the World Health Organization indicated that the United States has the potential to become the center of the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, this Emergency Order is necessary because of the propensity of the virus to spread person to person and also because the virus is physically causing property damage due to its proclivity to attach to surfaces for prolonged periods of time;

WHEREAS, this Emergency Order is necessary to protect the lives, health, welfare, and safety of the County's residents from the devastating impacts of this pandemic;

THEREFORE, the March 12, 2020, Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins is hereby AMENDED as follows:

Summary: The virus that causes 2019 Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) is easily transmitted through person to person contact, especially in group settings, and it is essential that the spread of the virus be slowed to protect the ability of public and private health care providers to handle the influx of new patients and safeguard public health and safety. Because of the risk of the rapid spread of the virus, and the need to protect the most vulnerable members of the community, this Order requires all individuals anywhere in Dallas County to shelter in place – that is, stay at home – except for certain essential activities and work to provide essential business and government services or perform essential public infrastructure construction, including housing. This Order



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takes effect at 11:59 p.m. on April 8, 2020 and will continue through 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020, subject to the limited exceptions and under the terms and conditions more particularly set forth below.

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 418.108, DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS ORDERS:

1. Effective as of 11:59 p.m. on April 8, 2020, and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020:
 - (a) All individuals currently living within Dallas County are ordered to shelter at their place of residence. For the purposes of this Order, residences include hotels, motels, shared rentals, and similar facilities. To the extent individuals are using shared or outdoor spaces, they must at all times as reasonably as possible maintain social distancing of at least six feet from any other person when they are outside their residence. All persons may leave their residences only for Essential Activities, or to provide or perform Essential Governmental Functions, or to operate Essential Businesses, all as defined in Section 2.
 - (b) All businesses operating within Dallas County, except Essential Businesses as defined in below in Section 2, are required to cease all activities at facilities located within the County except Minimum Basic Operations as defined in Section 2. For clarity, businesses may continue operations consisting exclusively of employees or contractors performing activities at their own residences (i.e. working from home). To the greatest extent possible, all Essential Businesses shall comply with the Social Distancing Rules attached, including maintaining six feet social distancing for both employees and the general public.
 - (c) Employees of Essential Businesses, whose physical presence at the workplace is not essential to operations, are directed to use telecommuting to the fullest extent possible.
 - (d) All public or private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit are prohibited, except as otherwise provided herein. Nothing in this Order prohibits the gathering of members of a household or living unit.
 - (e) All elective medical, surgical, and dental procedures are prohibited anywhere in Dallas County. Hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers, dental offices, and other medical facilities are directed to identify procedures that are deemed "elective" by assessing which procedures can be postponed or cancelled based on patient risk considering the emergency need for redirection of resources to COVID-19 response.
2. Definitions:
 - a. For purposes of this Order, individuals may leave their residence only to perform any of the following "**Essential Activities**":
 - i. To engage in activities or perform tasks essential to their health and safety, or to the health and safety of their family or household members (for



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example, obtaining medical supplies or medication, visiting a health care professional, or obtaining supplies need to work from home).

- ii. To obtain necessary services or supplies for themselves and their family or household members, or to deliver those services or supplies to others (for example, food, pet supply, and any other household consumer products, and products necessary to maintain the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences.
 - iii. To engage in outdoor activity, provided the individuals comply with social distancing requirements of six feet (for example, walking, biking, hiking, running, golfing, and tennis).
 - iv. To perform work providing essential products and services at an Essential Business or to otherwise carry out activities specifically permitted in this Order.
 - v. To care for a family member or pet in another household.
 - vi. To move to another residence either in or outside Dallas County.
 - vii. To engage in **"Essential Travel,"** which includes travel for any of the following purposes: (1) travel related to the provision of or access to Essential Activities, Essential Governmental Functions, Essential Businesses Essential Critical Infrastructure, and Minimum Basic Operation; (2) travel to care for elderly, minors, dependents, persons with disabilities, or other vulnerable persons; (3) travel to or from educational institutions for purposes of receiving materials for distance learning, for receiving meals, and any other related services; (4) travel to return to a place of residence from outside the jurisdiction; (5) travel required by law enforcement or court order; (6) travel by church staff or clergy for the purpose of production of remote delivery of religious services and other ministries requiring travel; (7) travel related to attending a funeral service; or (8) travel required for non-residents to return to their place of residence outside the County.
- b. For purposes of this Order, **"Essential Businesses"** means:
- i. **Essential Healthcare Operations.** Healthcare Operations includes but is not limited to hospitals, clinics, dentists, chiropractors, physical therapy, optometry offices, pharmacies, pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, other healthcare facilities, healthcare suppliers, mental health providers, substance abuse service providers, blood banks, medical research, laboratory services, certified doulas, or any related and/or ancillary healthcare services. Home-based and residential-based care for seniors, adults, or children are also considered healthcare operations. Healthcare operations also includes veterinary care and all health and welfare services provided to animals. This exemption shall be viewed broadly to avoid any impacts to the delivery of healthcare. Healthcare operations do not include fitness and exercise gyms, personal training, gymnastics studios, and similar facilities. Healthcare operations do not include elective medical, surgical, and dental procedures as established in accordance with Subsection 1(e) of this Order.



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- ii. **Essential Governmental Functions.** All services provided by local governments needed to ensure the continuing operation of the government agencies to provide for the health, safety and welfare of the public. Each governmental body will determine its Essential Governmental Functions and identify the employees and/or contractors necessary to the performance of those functions. Further, nothing in this order shall prohibit any individual from performing or accessing “Essential Governmental Functions.” All Essential Governmental Functions shall be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet, to the extent possible. This Order does not apply to Federal or State Government.
- iii. **Essential Critical Infrastructure.** All public and private facilities and assets, including both physical and cyber systems, and other functions and sectors vital to the security, governance, and public health, safety of Dallas County. Critical infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, utilities such as electricity, gas, water and wastewater, roads and highways, public transportation, solid waste and recycle collection and removal, oil refining, roads and highways, public transportation, defense and national security-related operations, and manufacturing operations supplying essential items to Essential Businesses, Essential Governmental Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. All manufacturers and distributors shall comply with the Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors set out in Exhibit C. Critical Infrastructure employers should implement screening precautions to protect employees and all activity shall be performed in compliance with social distancing guidelines attached. For reference, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0, can be found here: <https://www.cisa.gov/publication/guidance-essential-critical-infrastructure-workforce>
- iv. **Stores that Sell Groceries and Other Essential Supplies.** Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, big-box stores, bodegas, liquor stores, convenience stores, and farmers’ markets that sell food products and household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products. The sale of self-service food items is prohibited. Stores that sell groceries and other essential supplies shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- v. **Restaurants.** Restaurants with or without drive-in or drive-through services and microbreweries, micro-distilleries, or wineries may only provide take out, delivery, or drive-through services as allowed by law. In-person service is prohibited. Customers may order and pay inside, but are prohibited from waiting inside the restaurant for their food. All food must be brought outside to customers. To allow for increased access to restaurants, this Order hereby suspends all laws and regulations prohibiting people from walking in a drive-through.



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- vi. **Food Cultivation.** Food cultivation, including farming, fishing, and livestock.
- vii. **Delivery of Groceries and Essential Supplies.** Businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, hygiene products, and essential supplies directly to residences or essential businesses. All businesses that deliver groceries and essential supplies shall comply with the rules set out in Exhibit E.
- viii. **Transportation.** Operation, maintenance, and repair of airlines, taxis, and other private transportation providers (such as Uber and Lyft) that provide transportation services necessary for the performance of essential activities and essential travel.
- ix. **Gas Stations and Businesses Needed for Transportation.** Gas stations, auto-supply stores, auto-repair, and bicycle repair. Auto-dealerships, for in-person mechanical services or to complete an online transaction on an appointment basis only. Gas stations and convenience stores are prohibited from selling self-service food items. Gas stations and businesses needed for transportation shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- x. **Critical Trades.** Plumbers, electricians, exterminators, janitors, lawn care services, pool cleaners, maintenance and security, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operations of residences, Essential Businesses, Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Critical Trade does not include discretionary maintenance or improvements. Union representatives and their staff for the purpose of performing critical labor union functions, including the maintenance of health and welfare funds and checking on the well-being and safety of members.

Construction. Construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited. Protecting construction worker from the spread of COVID19 is extremely important for their safety and for public health, all construction sites must follow the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition, including, but not limited to, the Rules for Construction Industry set out in Exhibit B. Failure to strictly comply with this Order can result in penalties described below. Additionally, the general contractor and non-compliant subcontractor can be removed from the essential business list.
- xi. **Professional Services.** Professional services, such as legal or accounting services, when necessary to assist in compliance with legally mandated activities or services necessary to avoid imminent harm to a client. Real estate and inspection services, so long as they comply with the rules set out in Exhibit F.
- xii. **Financial Institutions.** Banks and related depository financial institutions, credit unions, insurance companies, title companies, payroll and accounting services. Check cashing businesses and pawnshops so long as they comply with the rules set out in Exhibit D. A copy of Exhibit D must be prominently



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displayed in each establishment in English and Spanish and a copy must also be provided to each customer in the customer's preferred language.

- xiii. **Information Technology Services/Telecommunications Services.** IT and IT services and their essential service vendors, including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and web-based services, and critical manufacturing, as well as telecommunications services, internet access and broadband/communications services.
- xiv. **Essential Retail.** Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers., hardware stores, and related facilities. Firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security. Hardware stores and business that sell electrical, plumbing, and other materials necessary to support Essential Businesses, and Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Essential retail establishments shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- xv. **Hotels and Motels.** Hotels and motels, to the extent used for lodging or delivery or carry-out food services.
- xvi. **Short-Term Rentals.** Short-term rental of all or part of a residential property to a person who is not a permanent resident is prohibited. Within the meaning of this Order, a "permanent resident" is a person who has the right to use or possess a room at the residential property for at least 30 consecutive days, so long as there is no interruption of payment for the period. This Order does not prohibit short-term rental to hospital employees or other licensed healthcare professionals, military personnel, law enforcement personnel, government employees, or Dallas County residents who need a place to self-quarantine away from their family and/or roommates. Renters currently occupying short-term rental properties shall be permitted to complete the current rental contract but are required to follow the requirements of this order
- xvii. **Providers of Basic Necessities to Economically Disadvantaged Populations.** Businesses or organizations that provide food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals.
- xviii. **Essential Services Necessary to Maintain Essential Operations of Residences or Other Essential Businesses.** . Businesses or services that supply other Essential Businesses, Essential Government Services, and Critical Infrastructure with the support or supplies needed to operate; including but not limited to mail, shipping and delivery services, warehouse/distribution and fulfillment, storage, moving services, janitorial services, laundry services, computer, audio or video electronics, sanitary equipment, and medical equipment.. To the extent possible, services shall be provided in compliance with Social Distancing Rules attached, including distancing of six feet and routine use of hand sanitizer. All employers that are common carriers, motor carriers, private carriers,



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shippers, delivery services, moving companies and contract carriers that load or unload cargo, supplies, equipment or goods at any point located in Dallas County shall comply with the rules set out in Exhibit E.

- xix. **Supplies to Work From Home.** Businesses that supply products needed for people to work from home.
- xx. **Public and Private Education.** Public and private educational institutions, only for the purposes of facilitating distance learning or performing essential functions, provided compliance with the Social Distancing Rules is maintained
- xxi. **News Media.** Newspapers, television, radio, and other media services.
- xxii. **Childcare Services.** Childcare facilities providing services or community service providers offering childcare services under the following mandatory conditions:
 - 1. Childcare services shall only be provided to employees of Essential Businesses;
 - 2. Childcare must be carried out in stable groups of 12 or fewer ("stable" means that the same 12 or fewer children are in the same group each day);
 - 3. Children shall not change from one group to another;
 - 4. If more than one group of children is cared for at one facility, each group shall be in a separate room. Groups shall not mix with each other;
 - 5. Childcare providers shall remain solely with one group of children.
- xxiii. **Animal Care Services.** Animal shelters, veterinary care, and pet food and supply stores. Grooming, if necessary for the health and wellbeing of the animal. Pet daycare, but only for employees of Essential Businesses. To the greatest extent possible, all services must be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet. Pet food and supply stores shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- xxiv. **Religious and Worship Services.** Religious and worship services may only be provided by audio, video, and teleconference. Religious institutions must limit in-person staff to ten (10) people or less at one time, and twenty-five (25) people total per day, when preparing for or conducting video or teleconference services, and all individuals must follow the Social Distancing Rules including the six feet social distancing.
- xxv. **Funeral Services.** Funeral, mortuary, cremation, burial, cemetery, and related services, provided that social distancing of six feet per person is maintained to the greatest extent possible.
- c. For purposes of this Order, **Minimum Basic Operations** means the following, provided that employees comply with the Social Distancing Rules:
 - i. The minimum necessary activities to maintain the value of the business's inventory, ensure security, process payroll and employee benefits, or for related functions.



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- ii. The minimum necessary activities to facilitate employees of the business being able to continue to work remotely from their residences.
3. The Dallas County Sheriff's Office, the Dallas County Fire Marshal's Office, and other peace officers, are hereby authorized to enforce this Order. A violation of this order may be punishable through criminal or civil enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days.
4. Any manufacturer who retools their business for the purpose of manufacturing and producing ventilators, masks, personal protective equipment, or any supply necessary for Essential Healthcare Operations may apply for an "essential business" exemption under this Order. Apply for a business exemption at <https://www.dallascounty.org/covid-19/ways-to-help.php> under the "Apply for an Essential Business Exemption" tab.
5. All public, private, and commercial laboratories operating within Dallas County and performing COVID-19 testing shall report by 5:00 p.m. each day for the prior 24-hour period:
 - a. The number of COVID-19 tests performed; and
 - b. The number of positive COVID-19 tests.

Reports shall be made to Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins at Clay.Jenkins@dallascounty.org and Dallas County Health and Human Services Director Dr. Philip Huang at Philip.Huang@dallascounty.org. Reporting laboratories shall not provide names or any other identifiable health information that could be used to identify an individual patient.

6. Door-to-door solicitation creates an unnecessary face-to-face situation for residents who are home in greater numbers due to the closure of schools and businesses, potentially endangering the health of residents. Under this Order, door-to-door solicitation is prohibited, including the leaving of written materials on the door or mailbox of a residence. This provision does not apply to any business in the grocery supply chain or any non-profit providing community resources for those effected by the coronavirus. Nothing in this Order prohibits utility companies or government agencies from contacting individuals at their residences to perform their normal business functions.
7. Employers shall not implement any rules making a negative COVID-19 test or a note from a healthcare provider a requirement before a COVID-19 recovered employee can return to work.
8. Under this Order, no person shall sell any of the following goods or services for more than the regular retail price the person charged for the goods or services on March 16, 2020, except where an increased retail price is the result of increased supplier or other costs (including the loss of supplier supporting funds):
 - a. groceries, beverages, toilet articles, and ice;
 - b. restaurant, cafeteria, and boarding-house meals; and
 - c. medicine, pharmaceutical and medical equipment, and supplies.



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9. Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, hospitals, and medical facilities are experiencing high levels of demand for a large number of products, requiring more deliveries from manufacturers and distribution centers to serve their customers. A number of Texas cities and local associations have implemented restrictions on delivery hours to stores to mitigate truck noise and traffic. Due to the need to deliver products as quickly and efficiently as possible during this critical timeframe, this Order hereby suspends all delivery hour restrictions for transport to or from any entity involved in the selling or distribution of food products, medicine, or medical supplies in Dallas County for the next 60 days.
10. Due to increased demand for bath or toilet tissue resulting from stock up buying and individuals who purchase for resale, a mandatory limit on toilet paper sales is instituted until the supply chain meets the demand or two weeks, whichever comes first. All sales of bath or toilet tissue occurring in Dallas County are limited to the greater of: (a) twelve (12) rolls per purchase or (b) one (1) package per purchase. This provision does not apply to the sale of bath or tissue paper to a government organization or essential business.
11. Due to the public health emergency, the Office of the Dallas County Judge hereby advises the Dallas County Justices of the Peace to suspend eviction hearings and writs of possession for at least the next 60 days to prevent renters from being displaced. Nothing in the moratorium relieves tenants of liability for unpaid rent. Landlords should cap late fees for delayed payment of rent at fifteen dollars (\$15) per month.
12. If someone in a household has tested positive for coronavirus, the household is ordered to isolate at home. Members of the household cannot go to work, school, or any other community function, except for workers included in Essential Healthcare Operations who may continue to work in accordance with CDC guidance.
13. Nursing homes, retirement, and long-term care facilities are instructed by this Order to prohibit non-essential visitors from accessing their facilities unless to provide critical assistance or for end-of-life visitation.
14. Public and private schools and institutions of higher education are instructed by this Order to provide a safety plan to Dallas County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management 72 hours before students return to a classroom setting.
15. Additionally, the Office of the Dallas County Judge and the Health Authority instructs all employees to remain at home if sick. Employees of private businesses and nonprofits with six (6) or more employees in the City of Dallas can use their paid sick leave when they are sick or to care for sick family members.
16. This Order shall be in effect until 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020, or until it is either rescinded, superseded, or amended pursuant to applicable law.
17. The County of Dallas must promptly provide copies of this Order by posting on the Dallas County Health and Human Services website. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is strongly encouraged to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.



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**IT IS SO ORDERED
CLAY JENKINS
DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE**



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EXHIBIT A

Rules for Essential Retailers

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus and protective measures to be taken in all establishments.

Definition of Essential Retailers.

1. Stores that Sell Groceries and Other Essential Supplies. Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, big-box stores, bodegas, liquor stores, convenience stores, and farmers' markets that sell food products and household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products.
2. Gas Stations and Businesses Needed for Transportation. Gas stations, auto-supply stores, auto-repair, and bicycle repair. Auto-dealerships, for in-person mechanical services or to complete an online transaction on an appointment basis only.
3. Other Essential Retailers. Pet food and supply stores. Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers, hardware stores, and related facilities. Firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security. Hardware stores and business that sell electrical, plumbing, and other materials necessary to support Essential Businesses, and Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure.

Safety Rules for All Essential Retailers. All employers involved in essential retail activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to an Essential Retailer. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, an Essential Retailer must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all employees with a forehead thermometer before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
6. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;



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7. Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift.
8. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so employees may follow hygiene guidelines;
9. There shall be no adverse action taken against an employee who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the employee has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
10. Employers must designate both a member of management as the COVID-19 Safety Monitor and a senior hourly worker (that is not a member of management) as the COVID-19 Vice Safety Monitor at each store to have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

General Rules for Essential Retailers.

1. Employers shall implement an organized line system where employees, customers, and other persons are not less than six feet apart at all times;
2. To the greatest extent practicable, designate shopping times for at risk populations (seniors, pregnant people, and people with underlying health conditions);
3. To the greatest extent possible, implement a system to restrict the number of customers who are physically present at an Essential Retailer so that six foot spacing may be maintained;
4. Employers shall implement purchase limits on high-demand items (toilet paper, soap, hand sanitizer). These purchase limits do not apply to a government organization or essential business;
5. To the greatest extent possible, employers shall offer pick up services or delivery services of grocery items and other essential supplies; and
6. Self-service food stations are prohibited. Self-service stations are defined as items that customers use common serving utensils to serve themselves, including but not limited to, salad bars, hot dog stands, self-service bulk food items, and other related food items. This section does not apply to self-checkout stations, so long as the checkout stations are cleaned at least every 30 minutes.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any essential retailer who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT B

Rules for the Construction Industry

Reason for Construction Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Construction as Critical Infrastructure. The Order classified construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools as critical infrastructure. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited.

Requirements for Construction. All employers involved in construction activity must follow the requirements set forth in the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition, including the rules below:

1. All workers and contractors (hereafter referred to as “workers”) must take their temperature at their residence. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible, implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker or contractor has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
3. To the greatest extent possible, shift work must be implemented such that each shift shall have no more than fifty percent (50%) of the workers who were on shift on March 16, 2020. Once assigned to a shift, workers shall not change from one shift to another;
4. To the greatest extent possible, limit crossover of subcontractors;
5. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
6. Workers must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
7. Workers must not use a common water cooler. Employers shall provide individual water bottles or instruct workers to bring their own;
8. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
9. Employers must provide soap and water and hand sanitizer in the workplace, including all restrooms. Ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
10. If running water is available at the site, workers must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, when they remove gloves, and before and after the use of shared items such as tools or multi-user devices, before and after any meal or restroom breaks, and when their shift or work time ends.
11. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines;
12. Employers must provide one (1) working flushing toilet for every fifteen (15) workers on site or one (1) outdoor portable toilet for every 10 workers on site;
13. There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not



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- reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
14. Employers must designate a COVID-19 safety monitor on each site who has the authority to enforce these rules;

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any general contractor or subcontractor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT C

Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Definition of Critical Manufacturers and Distributors. This Order defines Critical Manufacturing and Distribution as the industries listed in the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0.

Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors. All employers involved in critical manufacturing and distribution activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work at a manufacturing or distribution center. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors check the temperature of all employees before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a six (6) foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. To the extent practicable, employers shall adjust shift timing to allow for greater physical distance between employees;
6. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
7. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms. Employers shall ensure that adequate supplies of soap and hand sanitizer are maintained;
8. Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to departing the work site.
9. Employers shall discourage employees from sharing work tools when possible.
10. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so employees may follow hygiene guidelines;
11. There shall be no adverse action taken against an employee who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
12. Employers must designate both a member of management as the COVID-19 Safety Monitor and a senior hourly employee (that is not a member of management), or a non-management



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employee if an hourly employee is not available, as the COVID-19 Vice Safety Monitor at each site to have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any manufacturer and distributor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT D

Rules for Financial Institutions

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

1. Check Cashing Businesses

Application. For the purpose of this Order, "Check Cashing Business" means a person or entity that for compensation engages, in whole or in part, in the business of cashing checks, drafts, money orders, traveler's checks or other instruments for the transmission or payment of money. This Order does not apply to a retail seller engaged primarily in the business of selling consumer goods, including consumables, to retail buyers that cash checks or issue money orders as a service to its customers that is incidental to its main purpose or business.

Interest and Fees. Fees shall not exceed 2% of the amount of the check, draft, or money order, or \$2, whichever is greater. Interest on a loan or advance of money shall not exceed 15% per annum of the total amount of the advance, provided that total fees associated with the loan do not exceed \$75, regardless of the name or type of charge. A check cashing business may charge only those charges expressly authorized in this Order in connection with a loan or advance issued.

Safety Rules. All check cashing businesses must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

- a) All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
- b) To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
- c) Employees must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
- d) Employers shall restrict the number of customers physically present in the store to only those people necessary to complete the transaction as determined by the customer. All other individuals must remain outside the store while the transaction is completed;
- e) Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
- f) Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Employers must ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
- g) Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift;



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- h) Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines; and
- i) There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy.

2. Pawnshops

Application. These rules apply to all locations or premises at which a pawnbroker regularly conducts business.

Interest and Fees. Interest on a loan of money extended pursuant to a pawn transaction shall not exceed 15% per annum of the total amount of the advance, provided that total fees associated with the loan do not exceed \$75, regardless of the name or type of charge. A pawnshop may charge only those charges expressly authorized in this Order in connection with a pawnshop loan.

Minimum Term Length. A pawnshop shall hold the goods pledged as collateral for at least 120 days after the end of the Emergency Declaration issued by Judge Jenkins or the end of the Emergency Declaration issued by Governor Abbott, whichever is later.

Safety Rules. All pawnshops must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

- a) All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
- b) To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
- c) Employees must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
- d) Employers shall restrict the number of customers so that only one customer is physically present in the store at a time;
- e) Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
- f) Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Employers must ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
- g) Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift;
- h) Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines; and
- i) There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to



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work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy.

3) **Enforcement**

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any financial institution who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT E

Rules for Common Carriers, Shipper, Delivery Services, and Related Companies

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Definition of Common Carriers. All employers which are common carriers, motor carriers, private carriers, shippers, delivery services, moving companies and contract carriers which load or unload cargo, supplies, equipment or goods at any point located in Dallas County.

Rules for Common Carriers. All employers involved in trucking, shipping, delivery and moving services, and related industries must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors check the temperature of all employees before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a six (6) foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. To the extent practicable, employers shall adjust shift timing to allow for greater physical distance between employees, including coordination between dispatch and scheduling so that there is no overlap between crews traveling to different locations;
6. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
7. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms. Employers shall ensure that adequate supplies of soap and hand sanitizer are maintained. Hand sanitizer must be available in each vehicle;
8. Workers must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift;
9. Employers must ensure that employees use gloves when handling shared tools or equipment (such as dollies, dock plates, and controls) and that employees wash their hands for at least 20 seconds after handling such tools or equipment;
10. To the greatest extent possible, drivers and other personnel should stay in their vehicles while the vehicles are being loaded and unloaded, unless required for employee safety;



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11. To the greatest extent possible, receipts, bills of lading, acknowledgements and other such documentation should be electronic so as minimize the need for personnel to physically sign and exchange documents;
12. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines;
13. There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) has not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
14. Employers must designate both a member of management and an employee who is not a member of management COVID-19 safety monitors at each of the business's warehouses, yards or other locations who have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any common carrier or related business who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT F

Rules for Real Estate Agents

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every Agent/Employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent exposure to coronavirus and protective measures to be taken in all real estate showing.

Definition of Real Estate Activity. For the purposes of this Order, real estate activity includes any activity governed by the Texas Real Estate License Act, the Inspector Act, the Residential Service Company Act, and the Timeshare Act.

Safety Rules for All Real Estate Agents/Employees. All realtors and their employees involved in essential real estate activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. Open Houses are prohibited;
2. All realtors and their employees (hereafter referred to as “realtors”) must take their temperature at their residence prior to any real estate showing. If an agent has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, they are prohibited from participating in any real estate showings and must remain at their residence;
3. Realtors and clients must travel to showings in separate vehicles;
4. Realtors, clients, and homeowners must follow the six-foot social distancing rule at all times;
5. Realtors and staff should limit in person contact and conduct business remotely as much as possible;
6. Realtors must wear a protective mask and provide new, unused protective masks to clients when touring a site;
7. Employers must designate a COVID-19 safety monitor at each real estate office who has the authority to enforce these rules;

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any realtor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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DCHHS Social Distancing Rules

1) Vulnerable Populations: Limit Outings

- Vulnerable populations include people who are:
 - 60 years old and older.
 - People with certain health conditions such as heart disease, lung disease, diabetes, kidney disease and weakened immune systems.
- For vulnerable populations, don't go to gatherings unless it is essential. Stay home. Avoid people who are sick.

2) Workplace and Businesses: Minimize Exposure

- Suspend nonessential employee travel.
- Ensure employees practice social distancing and do not work within six feet of one another.
- Urge essential employees to stay home when they are sick and maximize flexibility in sick leave benefits.
- Do not require a doctor's note for employees who are sick.
- Maximize telecommuting options.
- Persons who need to be at work to provide essential services of great benefit to the community must take steps in their workplace to minimize risk.

3) Cancel Non-essential Events

- Cancel non-essential events.
- Do not attend any events or gatherings if sick.
- For events that aren't cancelled, we recommend:
 - Having hand washing capabilities, hand sanitizers and tissues available.
 - Frequently cleaning high touch surface areas like counter tops and hand rails.
 - Finding ways to implement social distancing..

4) Schools: Safety First

- Do not have your child attend school if sick.
- If you have a child with chronic health conditions, consult the child's doctor about school attendance.
- Schools should equip all classrooms with hand sanitizers and tissues.
- Recommend rescheduling or cancelling events that are not essential.
- Explore remote teaching and online options to continue learning.
- Schools should develop a plan for citywide school closures, and families should prepare for further closures.

5) Transit: Cleaning and Protection

- Increase cleaning of vehicles and high touch surface areas.
- Provide hand washing/hand sanitizers and tissues in stations and on vehicles.
- Ensure social distancing practices are implemented to the full extent possible.



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6) Health Care Settings: Avoid as possible, protect the vulnerable

- Long-term care facilities should have a COVID-19 plan in accordance with CDC or state guidelines.
- Long-term care facilities should restrict all visitation except for certain compassionate care situations, such as end of life situations.
- The general public should avoid going to medical settings such as hospitals, nursing homes and long-term care facilities, even if you are not ill.
- If you are ill, call your health care provider ahead of time, and you may be able to be served by phone.
- Do not visit emergency rooms unless it is essential.
- Follow guidance and directions of all facilities.

7) Everyone: Do your part

The best way for all Dallas County residents to reduce their risk of getting sick, as with seasonal colds or the flu, still applies to prevent COVID-19:

- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Cough or sneeze into your elbow or a tissue. Throw the tissue in the trash.
- Stay home if you are sick.
- Avoid touching your face.
- Try alternatives to shaking hands, like an elbow bump or wave.
- If you have recently returned from a country, state or region with ongoing COVID-19 infections, monitor your health and follow the instructions of public health officials and CDC guidance.
- There is no recommendation to wear masks at this time to prevent yourself from getting sick.

You can also prepare for the disruption caused by an outbreak. Preparedness actions include:

- Prepare to work from home if that is possible for your job, and your employer.
- Make sure you have a supply of all essential medications for your family.
- Prepare a child care plan if you or a caregiver are sick.
- Make arrangements about how your family will manage school closures.
- Plan for how you can care for a sick family member without getting sick yourself.
- Take care of each other and check in by phone with friends, family and neighbors that are vulnerable to serious illness or death if they get COVID-19.
- Keep common spaces clean to help maintain a healthy environment for you and others. Frequently touched surfaces should be cleaned regularly with disinfecting sprays, wipes or common household cleaning products.

NOTE: This Amendment No. 4 to Exhibit B has been replaced.

SEE AMENDMENT No. 11 to EXHIBIT B (Page 039).

**AMENDMENT NO. 4
TO
EXHIBIT B
To Ordinance No. 4773**

AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS
Safer-At-Home, dated April 6, 2020

AND

April 6 Amended Order: Summary of Changes



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AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS

Safer At Home Order

DATE AMENDED ORDER ISSUED: April 6, 2020

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency on March 12, 2020, due to a novel coronavirus now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Judge Jenkins issued an Order in furtherance of his authority to protect the safety and welfare of the public by slowing the spread of the virus;

WHEREAS, the on-going evaluation of circumstances related to the virus and the updated recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and the Texas Department of State Health Services warrant the March 12, 2020 Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins be amended;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump acknowledged the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic, releasing strict new guidelines to limit people's interactions, including that Americans should avoid groups of more than 10 people;

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Dallas County Commissioners Court issued an Order of Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Dallas County Emergency Management Plan and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster until 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020, unless rescinded by order of the Commissioners Court.

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the World Health Organization indicated that the United States has the potential to become the center of the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, this Emergency Order is necessary because of the propensity of the virus to spread person to person and also because the virus is physically causing property damage due to its proclivity to attach to surfaces for prolonged periods of time;

WHEREAS, this Emergency Order is necessary to protect the lives, health, welfare, and safety of the County's residents from the devastating impacts of this pandemic;

THEREFORE, the March 12, 2020, Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins is hereby AMENDED as follows:

Summary: The virus that causes 2019 Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) is easily transmitted through person to person contact, especially in group settings, and it is essential that the spread of the virus be slowed to protect the ability of public and private health care providers to handle the influx of new patients and safeguard public health and safety. Because of the risk of the rapid spread of the virus, and the need to protect the most vulnerable members of the community, this Order requires all individuals anywhere in Dallas County to shelter in place – that is, stay at home – except for certain essential activities and work to provide essential business and government services or perform essential public infrastructure construction, including housing. This Order



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takes effect at 11:59 p.m. on April 6, 2020 and will continue through 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020, subject to the limited exceptions and under the terms and conditions more particularly set forth below.

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 418.108, DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS ORDERS:

1. Effective as of 11:59 p.m. on April 6, 2020, and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020:
 - (a) All individuals currently living within Dallas County are ordered to shelter at their place of residence. For the purposes of this Order, residences include hotels, motels, shared rentals, and similar facilities. To the extent individuals are using shared or outdoor spaces, they must at all times as reasonably as possible maintain social distancing of at least six feet from any other person when they are outside their residence. All persons may leave their residences only for Essential Activities, or to provide or perform Essential Governmental Functions, or to operate Essential Businesses, all as defined in Section 2.
 - (b) All businesses operating within Dallas County, except Essential Businesses as defined in below in Section 2, are required to cease all activities at facilities located within the County except Minimum Basic Operations as defined in Section 2. For clarity, businesses may continue operations consisting exclusively of employees or contractors performing activities at their own residences (i.e. working from home). To the greatest extent possible, all Essential Businesses shall comply with the Social Distancing Rules attached, including maintaining six feet social distancing for both employees and the general public.
 - (c) Employees of Essential Businesses, whose physical presence at the workplace is not essential to operations, are directed to use telecommuting to the fullest extent possible.
 - (d) All public or private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit are prohibited, except as otherwise provided herein. Nothing in this Order prohibits the gathering of members of a household or living unit.
 - (e) All elective medical, surgical, and dental procedures are prohibited anywhere in Dallas County. Hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers, dental offices, and other medical facilities are directed to identify procedures that are deemed "elective" by assessing which procedures can be postponed or cancelled based on patient risk considering the emergency need for redirection of resources to COVID-19 response.
2. Definitions:
 - a. For purposes of this Order, individuals may leave their residence only to perform any of the following "**Essential Activities**":
 - i. To engage in activities or perform tasks essential to their health and safety, or to the health and safety of their family or household members (for



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example, obtaining medical supplies or medication, visiting a health care professional, or obtaining supplies need to work from home).

- ii. To obtain necessary services or supplies for themselves and their family or household members, or to deliver those services or supplies to others (for example, food, pet supply, and any other household consumer products, and products necessary to maintain the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences.
 - iii. To engage in outdoor activity, provided the individuals comply with social distancing requirements of six feet (for example, walking, biking, hiking, running, golfing, and tennis).
 - iv. To perform work providing essential products and services at an Essential Business or to otherwise carry out activities specifically permitted in this Order.
 - v. To care for a family member or pet in another household.
 - vi. To move to another residence either in or outside Dallas County.
 - vii. To engage in **"Essential Travel,"** which includes travel for any of the following purposes: (1) travel related to the provision of or access to Essential Activities, Essential Governmental Functions, Essential Businesses Essential Critical Infrastructure, and Minimum Basic Operation; (2) travel to care for elderly, minors, dependents, persons with disabilities, or other vulnerable persons; (3) travel to or from educational institutions for purposes of receiving materials for distance learning, for receiving meals, and any other related services; (4) travel to return to a place of residence from outside the jurisdiction; (5) travel required by law enforcement or court order; (6) travel by church staff or clergy for the purpose of production of remote delivery of religious services and other ministries requiring travel; (7) travel related to attending a funeral service; or (8) travel required for non-residents to return to their place of residence outside the County.
- b. For purposes of this Order, **"Essential Businesses"** means:
- i. **Essential Healthcare Operations.** Healthcare Operations includes but is not limited to hospitals, clinics, dentists, chiropractors, physical therapy, optometry offices, pharmacies, pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, other healthcare facilities, healthcare suppliers, mental health providers, substance abuse service providers, blood banks, medical research, laboratory services, certified doulas, or any related and/or ancillary healthcare services. Home-based and residential-based care for seniors, adults, or children are also considered healthcare operations. Healthcare operations also includes veterinary care and all health and welfare services provided to animals. This exemption shall be viewed broadly to avoid any impacts to the delivery of healthcare. Healthcare operations do not include fitness and exercise gyms, personal training, gymnastics studios, and similar facilities. Healthcare operations do not include elective medical, surgical, and dental procedures as established in accordance with Subsection 1(e) of this Order.



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- ii. **Essential Governmental Functions.** All services provided by local governments needed to ensure the continuing operation of the government agencies to provide for the health, safety and welfare of the public. Each governmental body will determine its Essential Governmental Functions and identify the employees and/or contractors necessary to the performance of those functions. Further, nothing in this order shall prohibit any individual from performing or accessing “Essential Governmental Functions.” All Essential Governmental Functions shall be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet, to the extent possible. This Order does not apply to Federal or State Government.
- iii. **Essential Critical Infrastructure.** All public and private facilities and assets, including both physical and cyber systems, and other functions and sectors vital to the security, governance, and public health, safety of Dallas County. Critical infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, utilities such as electricity, gas, water and wastewater, roads and highways, public transportation, solid waste and recycle collection and removal, oil refining, roads and highways, public transportation, defense and national security-related operations, and manufacturing operations supplying essential items to Essential Businesses, Essential Governmental Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. All manufacturers and distributors shall comply with the Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors set out in Exhibit C. Critical Infrastructure employers should implement screening precautions to protect employees and all activity shall be performed in compliance with social distancing guidelines attached. For reference, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0, can be found here: <https://www.cisa.gov/publication/guidance-essential-critical-infrastructure-workforce>
- iv. **Stores that Sell Groceries and Other Essential Supplies.** Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, big-box stores, bodegas, liquor stores, convenience stores, and farmers’ markets that sell food products and household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products. The sale of self-service food items is prohibited. Stores that sell groceries and other essential supplies shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- v. **Restaurants.** Restaurants with or without drive-in or drive-through services and microbreweries, micro-distilleries, or wineries may only provide take out, delivery, or drive-through services as allowed by law. In-person service is prohibited. Customers may order and pay inside, but are prohibited from waiting inside the restaurant for their food. All food must be brought outside to customers. To allow for increased access to restaurants, this Order hereby suspends all laws and regulations prohibiting people from walking in a drive-through.



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- vi. **Food Cultivation.** Food cultivation, including farming, fishing, and livestock.
- vii. **Delivery of Groceries and Essential Supplies.** Businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, hygiene products, and essential supplies directly to residences or essential businesses. All businesses that deliver groceries and essential supplies shall comply with the rules set out in Exhibit E.
- viii. **Transportation.** Operation, maintenance, and repair of airlines, taxis, and other private transportation providers (such as Uber and Lyft) that provide transportation services necessary for the performance of essential activities and essential travel.
- ix. **Gas Stations and Businesses Needed for Transportation.** Gas stations, auto-supply stores, auto-repair, and bicycle repair. Auto-dealerships, for in-person mechanical services or to complete an online transaction on an appointment basis only. Gas stations and convenience stores are prohibited from selling self-service food items. Gas stations and businesses needed for transportation shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- x. **Critical Trades.** Plumbers, electricians, exterminators, janitors, lawn care services, pool cleaners, maintenance and security, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operations of residences, Essential Businesses, Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Critical Trade does not include discretionary maintenance or improvements. Union representatives and their staff for the purpose of performing critical labor union functions, including the maintenance of health and welfare funds and checking on the well-being and safety of members.

Construction. Construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited. Protecting construction worker from the spread of COVID19 is extremely important for their safety and for public health, all construction sites must follow the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition, including, but not limited to, the Rules for Construction Industry set out in Exhibit B. Failure to strictly comply with this Order can result in penalties described below. Additionally, the general contractor and non-compliant subcontractor can be removed from the essential business list.
- xi. **Professional Services.** Professional services, such as legal or accounting services, when necessary to assist in compliance with legally mandated activities or services necessary to avoid imminent harm to a client. Real estate and inspection services, so long as they comply with the rules set out in Exhibit F.
- xii. **Financial Institutions.** Banks and related depository financial institutions, credit unions, insurance companies, title companies, payroll and accounting services. Check cashing businesses and pawnshops so long as they comply with the rules set out in Exhibit D. A copy of Exhibit D must be prominently



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displayed in each establishment in English and Spanish and a copy must also be provided to each customer in the customer's preferred language.

- xiii. **Information Technology Services/Telecommunications Services.** IT and IT services and their essential service vendors, including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and web-based services, and critical manufacturing, as well as telecommunications services, internet access and broadband/communications services.
- xiv. **Essential Retail.** Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers., hardware stores, and related facilities. Firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security. Hardware stores and business that sell electrical, plumbing, and other materials necessary to support Essential Businesses, and Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Essential retail establishments shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- xv. **Hotels and Motels.** Hotels and motels, to the extent used for lodging or delivery or carry-out food services.
- xvi. **Providers of Basic Necessities to Economically Disadvantaged Populations.** Businesses or organizations that provide food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals.
- xvii. **Essential Services Necessary to Maintain Essential Operations of Residences or Other Essential Businesses.** . Businesses or services that supply other Essential Businesses, Essential Government Services, and Critical Infrastructure with the support or supplies needed to operate; including but not limited to mail, shipping and delivery services, warehouse/distribution and fulfillment, storage, moving services, janitorial services, laundry services, computer, audio or video electronics, sanitary equipment, and medical equipment.. To the extent possible, services shall be provided in compliance with Social Distancing Rules attached, including distancing of six feet and routine use of hand sanitizer. All employers that are common carriers, motor carriers, private carriers, shippers, delivery services, moving companies and contract carriers that load or unload cargo, supplies, equipment or goods at any point located in Dallas County shall comply with the rules set out in Exhibit E.
- xviii. **Supplies to Work From Home.** Businesses that supply products needed for people to work from home.
- xix. **Public and Private Education.** Public and private educational institutions, only for the purposes of facilitating distance learning or performing essential functions, provided compliance with the Social Distancing Rules is maintained
- xx. **News Media.** Newspapers, television, radio, and other media services.



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- xxi. **Childcare Services.** Childcare facilities providing services or community service providers offering childcare services under the following mandatory conditions:
 - 1. Childcare services shall only be provided to employees of Essential Businesses;
 - 2. Childcare must be carried out in stable groups of 12 or fewer ("stable" means that the same 12 or fewer children are in the same group each day);
 - 3. Children shall not change from one group to another;
 - 4. If more than one group of children is cared for at one facility, each group shall be in a separate room. Groups shall not mix with each other;
 - 5. Childcare providers shall remain solely with one group of children.
- xxii. **Animal Care Services.** Animal shelters, veterinary care, and pet food and supply stores. Grooming, if necessary for the health and wellbeing of the animal. Pet daycare, but only for employees of Essential Businesses. To the greatest extent possible, all services must be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet. Pet food and supply stores shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- xxiii. **Religious and Worship Services.** Religious and worship services may only be provided by audio, video, and teleconference. Religious institutions must limit in-person staff to ten (10) people or less at one time, and twenty-five (25) people total per day, when preparing for or conducting video or teleconference services, and all individuals must follow the Social Distancing Rules including the six feet social distancing.
- xxiv. **Funeral Services.** Funeral, mortuary, cremation, burial, cemetery, and related services, provided that social distancing of six feet per person is maintained to the greatest extent possible.
- c. For purposes of this Order, **Minimum Basic Operations** means the following, provided that employees comply with the Social Distancing Rules:
 - i. The minimum necessary activities to maintain the value of the business's inventory, ensure security, process payroll and employee benefits, or for related functions.
 - ii. The minimum necessary activities to facilitate employees of the business being able to continue to work remotely from their residences.
- 3. The Dallas County Sheriff's Office, the Dallas County Fire Marshal's Office, and other peace officers, are hereby authorized to enforce this Order. A violation of this order may be punishable through criminal or civil enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days.
- 4. Any manufacturer who retools their business for the purpose of manufacturing and producing ventilators, masks, personal protective equipment, or any supply necessary for



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Essential Healthcare Operations may apply for an “essential business” exemption under this Order. Submit requests for an exemption to BusinessCOVID19@dallascounty.org.

5. All public, private, and commercial laboratories operating within Dallas County and performing COVID-19 testing shall report by 5:00 p.m. each day for the prior 24-hour period:
 - a. The number of COVID-19 tests performed; and
 - b. The number of positive COVID-19 tests.

Reports shall be made to Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins at Clay.Jenkins@dallascounty.org and Dallas County Health and Human Services Director Dr. Philip Huang at Philip.Huang@dallascounty.org. Reporting laboratories shall not provide names or any other identifiable health information that could be used to identify an individual patient.

6. Employers shall not implement any rules making a negative COVID-19 test or a note from a healthcare provider a requirement before a COVID-19 recovered employee can return to work.
7. Under this Order, no person shall sell any of the following goods or services for more than the regular retail price the person charged for the goods or services on March 16, 2020, except where an increased retail price is the result of increased supplier or other costs (including the loss of supplier supporting funds):
 - a. groceries, beverages, toilet articles, and ice;
 - b. restaurant, cafeteria, and boarding-house meals; and
 - c. medicine, pharmaceutical and medical equipment, and supplies.
8. Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, hospitals, and medical facilities are experiencing high levels of demand for a large number of products, requiring more deliveries from manufacturers and distribution centers to serve their customers. A number of Texas cities and local associations have implemented restrictions on delivery hours to stores to mitigate truck noise and traffic. Due to the need to deliver products as quickly and efficiently as possible during this critical timeframe, this Order hereby suspends all delivery hour restrictions for transport to or from any entity involved in the selling or distribution of food products, medicine, or medical supplies in Dallas County for the next 60 days.
9. Due to increased demand for bath or toilet tissue resulting from stock up buying and individuals who purchase for resale, a mandatory limit on toilet paper sales is instituted until the supply chain meets the demand or two weeks, whichever comes first. All sales of bath or toilet tissue occurring in Dallas County are limited to the greater of: (a) twelve (12) rolls per purchase or (b) one (1) package per purchase. This provision does not apply to the sale of bath or tissue paper to a government organization or essential business.
10. Due to the public health emergency, the Office of the Dallas County Judge hereby advises the Dallas County Justices of the Peace to suspend eviction hearings and writs of possession for at least the next 60 days to prevent renters from being displaced. Nothing in the moratorium relieves tenants of liability for unpaid rent. Landlords should cap late fees for delayed payment of rent at fifteen dollars (\$15) per month.



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11. If someone in a household has tested positive for coronavirus, the household is ordered to isolate at home. Members of the household cannot go to work, school, or any other community function, except for workers included in Essential Healthcare Operations who may continue to work in accordance with CDC guidance.
12. Nursing homes, retirement, and long-term care facilities are instructed by this Order to prohibit non-essential visitors from accessing their facilities unless to provide critical assistance or for end-of-life visitation.
13. Public and private schools and institutions of higher education are instructed by this Order to provide a safety plan to Dallas County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management 72 hours before students return to a classroom setting.
14. Additionally, the Office of the Dallas County Judge and the Health Authority instructs all employees to remain at home if sick. Employees of private businesses and nonprofits with six (6) or more employees in the City of Dallas can use their paid sick leave when they are sick or to care for sick family members.
15. This Order shall be in effect until 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020, or until it is either rescinded, superseded, or amended pursuant to applicable law.
16. The County of Dallas must promptly provide copies of this Order by posting on the Dallas County Health and Human Services website. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is strongly encouraged to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED
CLAY JENKINS
DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE



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EXHIBIT A

Rules for Essential Retailers

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus and protective measures to be taken in all establishments.

Definition of Essential Retailers.

1. Stores that Sell Groceries and Other Essential Supplies. Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, big-box stores, bodegas, liquor stores, convenience stores, and farmers' markets that sell food products and household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products.
2. Gas Stations and Businesses Needed for Transportation. Gas stations, auto-supply stores, auto-repair, and bicycle repair. Auto-dealerships, for in-person mechanical services or to complete an online transaction on an appointment basis only.
3. Other Essential Retailers. Pet food and supply stores. Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers, hardware stores, and related facilities. Firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security. Hardware stores and business that sell electrical, plumbing, and other materials necessary to support Essential Businesses, and Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure.

Safety Rules for All Essential Retailers. All employers involved in essential retail activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to an Essential Retailer. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, an Essential Retailer must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all employees with a forehead thermometer before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
6. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;



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7. Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift.
8. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so employees may follow hygiene guidelines;
9. There shall be no adverse action taken against an employee who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the employee has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
10. Employers must designate both a member of management as the COVID-19 Safety Monitor and a senior hourly worker (that is not a member of management) as the COVID-19 Vice Safety Monitor at each store to have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

General Rules for Essential Retailers.

1. Employers shall implement an organized line system where employees, customers, and other persons are not less than six feet apart at all times;
2. To the greatest extent practicable, designate shopping times for at risk populations (seniors, pregnant people, and people with underlying health conditions);
3. To the greatest extent possible, implement a system to restrict the number of customers who are physically present at an Essential Retailer so that six foot spacing may be maintained;
4. Employers shall implement purchase limits on high-demand items (toilet paper, soap, hand sanitizer). These purchase limits do not apply to a government organization or essential business;
5. To the greatest extent possible, employers shall offer pick up services or delivery services of grocery items and other essential supplies; and
6. Self-service food stations are prohibited. Self-service stations are defined as items that customers use common serving utensils to serve themselves, including but not limited to, salad bars, hot dog stands, self-service bulk food items, and other related food items. This section does not apply to self-checkout stations, so long as the checkout stations are cleaned at least every 30 minutes.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any essential retailer who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT B

Rules for the Construction Industry

Reason for Construction Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Construction as Critical Infrastructure. The Order classified construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools as critical infrastructure. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited.

Requirements for Construction. All employers involved in construction activity must follow the requirements set forth in the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition, including the rules below:

1. All workers and contractors (hereafter referred to as “workers”) must take their temperature at their residence. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible, implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker or contractor has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
3. To the greatest extent possible, shift work must be implemented such that each shift shall have no more than fifty percent (50%) of the workers who were on shift on March 16, 2020. Once assigned to a shift, workers shall not change from one shift to another;
4. To the greatest extent possible, limit crossover of subcontractors;
5. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
6. Workers must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
7. Workers must not use a common water cooler. Employers shall provide individual water bottles or instruct workers to bring their own;
8. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
9. Employers must provide soap and water and hand sanitizer in the workplace, including all restrooms. Ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
10. If running water is available at the site, workers must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, when they remove gloves, and before and after the use of shared items such as tools or multi-user devices, before and after any meal or restroom breaks, and when their shift or work time ends.
11. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines;
12. Employers must provide one (1) working flushing toilet for every fifteen (15) workers on site or one (1) outdoor portable toilet for every 10 workers on site;
13. There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not



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- reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
14. Employers must designate a COVID-19 safety monitor on each site who has the authority to enforce these rules;

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any general contractor or subcontractor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT C

Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Definition of Critical Manufacturers and Distributors. This Order defines Critical Manufacturing and Distribution as the industries listed in the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0.

Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors. All employers involved in critical manufacturing and distribution activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work at a manufacturing or distribution center. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors check the temperature of all employees before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a six (6) foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. To the extent practicable, employers shall adjust shift timing to allow for greater physical distance between employees;
6. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
7. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms. Employers shall ensure that adequate supplies of soap and hand sanitizer are maintained;
8. Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to departing the work site.
9. Employers shall discourage employees from sharing work tools when possible.
10. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so employees may follow hygiene guidelines;
11. There shall be no adverse action taken against an employee who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
12. Employers must designate both a member of management as the COVID-19 Safety Monitor and a senior hourly employee (that is not a member of management), or a non-management



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employee if an hourly employee is not available, as the COVID-19 Vice Safety Monitor at each site to have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any manufacturer and distributor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT D

Rules for Financial Institutions

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

1. Check Cashing Businesses

Application. For the purpose of this Order, "Check Cashing Business" means a person or entity that for compensation engages, in whole or in part, in the business of cashing checks, drafts, money orders, traveler's checks or other instruments for the transmission or payment of money. This Order does not apply to a retail seller engaged primarily in the business of selling consumer goods, including consumables, to retail buyers that cash checks or issue money orders as a service to its customers that is incidental to its main purpose or business.

Interest and Fees. Fees shall not exceed 2% of the amount of the check, draft, or money order, or \$2, whichever is greater. Interest on a loan or advance of money shall not exceed 15% per annum of the total amount of the advance, provided that total fees associated with the loan do not exceed \$75, regardless of the name or type of charge. A check cashing business may charge only those charges expressly authorized in this Order in connection with a loan or advance issued.

Safety Rules. All check cashing businesses must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

- a) All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
- b) To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
- c) Employees must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
- d) Employers shall restrict the number of customers physically present in the store to only those people necessary to complete the transaction as determined by the customer. All other individuals must remain outside the store while the transaction is completed;
- e) Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
- f) Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Employers must ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
- g) Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift;



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- h) Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines; and
- i) There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy.

2. Pawnshops

Application. These rules apply to all locations or premises at which a pawnbroker regularly conducts business.

Interest and Fees. Interest on a loan of money extended pursuant to a pawn transaction shall not exceed 15% per annum of the total amount of the advance, provided that total fees associated with the loan do not exceed \$75, regardless of the name or type of charge. A pawnshop may charge only those charges expressly authorized in this Order in connection with a pawnshop loan.

Minimum Term Length. A pawnshop shall hold the goods pledged as collateral for at least 120 days after the end of the Emergency Declaration issued by Judge Jenkins or the end of the Emergency Declaration issued by Governor Abbott, whichever is later.

Safety Rules. All pawnshops must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

- a) All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
- b) To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
- c) Employees must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
- d) Employers shall restrict the number of customers so that only one customer is physically present in the store at a time;
- e) Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
- f) Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Employers must ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
- g) Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift;
- h) Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines; and
- i) There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to



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work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy.

3) **Enforcement**

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any financial institution who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT E

Rules for Common Carriers, Shipper, Delivery Services, and Related Companies

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Definition of Common Carriers. All employers which are common carriers, motor carriers, private carriers, shippers, delivery services, moving companies and contract carriers which load or unload cargo, supplies, equipment or goods at any point located in Dallas County.

Rules for Common Carriers. All employers involved in trucking, shipping, delivery and moving services, and related industries must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors check the temperature of all employees before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a six (6) foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. To the extent practicable, employers shall adjust shift timing to allow for greater physical distance between employees, including coordination between dispatch and scheduling so that there is no overlap between crews traveling to different locations;
6. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
7. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms. Employers shall ensure that adequate supplies of soap and hand sanitizer are maintained. Hand sanitizer must be available in each vehicle;
8. Workers must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift;
9. Employers must ensure that employees use gloves when handling shared tools or equipment (such as dollies, dock plates, and controls) and that employees wash their hands for at least 20 seconds after handling such tools or equipment;
10. To the greatest extent possible, drivers and other personnel should stay in their vehicles while the vehicles are being loaded and unloaded, unless required for employee safety;



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11. To the greatest extent possible, receipts, bills of lading, acknowledgements and other such documentation should be electronic so as minimize the need for personnel to physically sign and exchange documents;
12. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines;
13. There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) has not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
14. Employers must designate both a member of management and an employee who is not a member of management COVID-19 safety monitors at each of the business's warehouses, yards or other locations who have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any common carrier or related business who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT F

Rules for Real Estate Agents

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every Agent/Employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent exposure to coronavirus and protective measures to be taken in all real estate showing.

Definition of Real Estate Activity. For the purposes of this Order, real estate activity includes any activity governed by the Texas Real Estate License Act, the Inspector Act, the Residential Service Company Act, and the Timeshare Act.

Safety Rules for All Real Estate Agents/Employees. All realtors and their employees involved in essential real estate activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. Open Houses are prohibited;
2. All realtors and their employees (hereafter referred to as “realtors”) must take their temperature at their residence prior to any real estate showing. If an agent has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, they are prohibited from participating in any real estate showings and must remain at their residence;
3. Realtors and clients must travel to showings in separate vehicles;
4. Realtors, clients, and homeowners must follow the six-foot social distancing rule at all times;
5. Realtors and staff should limit in person contact and conduct business remotely as much as possible;
6. Realtors must wear a protective mask and provide new, unused protective masks to clients when touring a site;
7. Employers must designate a COVID-19 safety monitor at each real estate office who has the authority to enforce these rules;

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any realtor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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DCHHS Social Distancing Rules

1) Vulnerable Populations: Limit Outings

- Vulnerable populations include people who are:
 - 60 years old and older.
 - People with certain health conditions such as heart disease, lung disease, diabetes, kidney disease and weakened immune systems.
- For vulnerable populations, don't go to gatherings unless it is essential. Stay home. Avoid people who are sick.

2) Workplace and Businesses: Minimize Exposure

- Suspend nonessential employee travel.
- Ensure employees practice social distancing and do not work within six feet of one another.
- Urge essential employees to stay home when they are sick and maximize flexibility in sick leave benefits.
- Do not require a doctor's note for employees who are sick.
- Maximize telecommuting options.
- Persons who need to be at work to provide essential services of great benefit to the community must take steps in their workplace to minimize risk.

3) Cancel Non-essential Events

- Cancel non-essential events.
- Do not attend any events or gatherings if sick.
- For events that aren't cancelled, we recommend:
 - Having hand washing capabilities, hand sanitizers and tissues available.
 - Frequently cleaning high touch surface areas like counter tops and hand rails.
 - Finding ways to implement social distancing..

4) Schools: Safety First

- Do not have your child attend school if sick.
- If you have a child with chronic health conditions, consult the child's doctor about school attendance.
- Schools should equip all classrooms with hand sanitizers and tissues.
- Recommend rescheduling or cancelling events that are not essential.
- Explore remote teaching and online options to continue learning.
- Schools should develop a plan for citywide school closures, and families should prepare for further closures.

5) Transit: Cleaning and Protection

- Increase cleaning of vehicles and high touch surface areas.
- Provide hand washing/hand sanitizers and tissues in stations and on vehicles.
- Ensure social distancing practices are implemented to the full extent possible.



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6) Health Care Settings: Avoid as possible, protect the vulnerable

- Long-term care facilities should have a COVID-19 plan in accordance with CDC or state guidelines.
- Long-term care facilities should restrict all visitation except for certain compassionate care situations, such as end of life situations.
- The general public should avoid going to medical settings such as hospitals, nursing homes and long-term care facilities, even if you are not ill.
- If you are ill, call your health care provider ahead of time, and you may be able to be served by phone.
- Do not visit emergency rooms unless it is essential.
- Follow guidance and directions of all facilities.

7) Everyone: Do your part

The best way for all Dallas County residents to reduce their risk of getting sick, as with seasonal colds or the flu, still applies to prevent COVID-19:

- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Cough or sneeze into your elbow or a tissue. Throw the tissue in the trash.
- Stay home if you are sick.
- Avoid touching your face.
- Try alternatives to shaking hands, like an elbow bump or wave.
- If you have recently returned from a country, state or region with ongoing COVID-19 infections, monitor your health and follow the instructions of public health officials and CDC guidance.
- There is no recommendation to wear masks at this time to prevent yourself from getting sick.

You can also prepare for the disruption caused by an outbreak. Preparedness actions include:

- Prepare to work from home if that is possible for your job, and your employer.
- Make sure you have a supply of all essential medications for your family.
- Prepare a child care plan if you or a caregiver are sick.
- Make arrangements about how your family will manage school closures.
- Plan for how you can care for a sick family member without getting sick yourself.
- Take care of each other and check in by phone with friends, family and neighbors that are vulnerable to serious illness or death if they get COVID-19.
- Keep common spaces clean to help maintain a healthy environment for you and others. Frequently touched surfaces should be cleaned regularly with disinfecting sprays, wipes or common household cleaning products.

April 6 Amended Order: Summary of Changes

1. Adds Rules for Financial Institutions and Realtors

- a. Establishes rules for financial institutions and realtors to follow when conducting business in Dallas County, including safety standards.

2. Adds Rules for Common Carriers, Delivery Services, and Related Companies

- a. Establishes safety rules for common carriers, motor carriers, private carriers, shippers, delivery services, moving companies and contract carriers that load or unload cargo, supplies, equipment or goods at any point located in Dallas County.

NOTE: This Amendment No. 3 to Exhibit B has been replaced.

SEE AMENDMENT No. 11 to EXHIBIT B (Page 039).

**AMENDMENT NO. 3
TO
EXHIBIT B
To Ordinance No. 4773**

AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS
Safer-At-Home, dated April 3, 2020



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AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS

Safer At Home Order

DATE AMENDED ORDER ISSUED: April 3, 2020

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency on March 12, 2020, due to a novel coronavirus now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Judge Jenkins issued an Order in furtherance of his authority to protect the safety and welfare of the public by slowing the spread of the virus;

WHEREAS, the on-going evaluation of circumstances related to the virus and the updated recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and the Texas Department of State Health Services warrant the March 12, 2020 Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins be amended;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump acknowledged the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic, releasing strict new guidelines to limit people's interactions, including that Americans should avoid groups of more than 10 people;

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Dallas County Commissioners Court issued an Order of Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Dallas County Emergency Management Plan and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster until 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020, unless rescinded by order of the Commissioners Court.

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the World Health Organization indicated that the United States has the potential to become the center of the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, this Emergency Order is necessary because of the propensity of the virus to spread person to person and also because the virus is physically causing property damage due to its proclivity to attach to surfaces for prolonged periods of time;

WHEREAS, this Emergency Order is necessary to protect the lives, health, welfare, and safety of the County's residents from the devastating impacts of this pandemic;

THEREFORE, the March 12, 2020, Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins is hereby AMENDED as follows:

Summary: The virus that causes 2019 Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) is easily transmitted through person to person contact, especially in group settings, and it is essential that the spread of the virus be slowed to protect the ability of public and private health care providers to handle the influx of new patients and safeguard public health and safety. Because of the risk of the rapid spread of the virus, and the need to protect the most vulnerable members of the community, this Order requires all individuals anywhere in Dallas County to shelter in place – that is, stay at home – except for certain essential activities and work to provide essential business and government services or perform essential public infrastructure construction, including housing. This Order



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takes effect at 11:10 a.m. on April 3, 2020 and will continue through 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020, subject to the limited exceptions and under the terms and conditions more particularly set forth below.

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 418.108, DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS ORDERS:

1. Effective as of 11:10 a.m. on April 3, 2020, and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020:
 - (a) All individuals currently living within Dallas County are ordered to shelter at their place of residence. For the purposes of this Order, residences include hotels, motels, shared rentals, and similar facilities. To the extent individuals are using shared or outdoor spaces, they must at all times as reasonably as possible maintain social distancing of at least six feet from any other person when they are outside their residence. All persons may leave their residences only for Essential Activities, or to provide or perform Essential Governmental Functions, or to operate Essential Businesses, all as defined in Section 2.
 - (b) All businesses operating within Dallas County, except Essential Businesses as defined in below in Section 2, are required to cease all activities at facilities located within the County except Minimum Basic Operations as defined in Section 2. For clarity, businesses may continue operations consisting exclusively of employees or contractors performing activities at their own residences (i.e. working from home). To the greatest extent possible, all Essential Businesses shall comply with the Social Distancing Rules attached, including maintaining six feet social distancing for both employees and the general public.
 - (c) Employees of Essential Businesses, whose physical presence at the workplace is not essential to operations, are directed to use telecommuting to the fullest extent possible.
 - (d) All public or private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit are prohibited, except as otherwise provided herein. Nothing in this Order prohibits the gathering of members of a household or living unit.
 - (e) All elective medical, surgical, and dental procedures are prohibited anywhere in Dallas County. Hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers, dental offices, and other medical facilities are directed to identify procedures that are deemed "elective" by assessing which procedures can be postponed or cancelled based on patient risk considering the emergency need for redirection of resources to COVID-19 response.
2. Definitions:
 - a. For purposes of this Order, individuals may leave their residence only to perform any of the following "**Essential Activities**":
 - i. To engage in activities or perform tasks essential to their health and safety, or to the health and safety of their family or household members (for



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example, obtaining medical supplies or medication, visiting a health care professional, or obtaining supplies need to work from home).

- ii. To obtain necessary services or supplies for themselves and their family or household members, or to deliver those services or supplies to others (for example, food, pet supply, and any other household consumer products, and products necessary to maintain the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences.
 - iii. To engage in outdoor activity, provided the individuals comply with social distancing requirements of six feet (for example, walking, biking, hiking, running, golfing, and tennis).
 - iv. To perform work providing essential products and services at an Essential Business or to otherwise carry out activities specifically permitted in this Order.
 - v. To care for a family member or pet in another household.
 - vi. To move to another residence either in or outside Dallas County.
 - vii. To engage in **"Essential Travel,"** which includes travel for any of the following purposes: (1) travel related to the provision of or access to Essential Activities, Essential Governmental Functions, Essential Businesses Essential Critical Infrastructure, and Minimum Basic Operation; (2) travel to care for elderly, minors, dependents, persons with disabilities, or other vulnerable persons; (3) travel to or from educational institutions for purposes of receiving materials for distance learning, for receiving meals, and any other related services; (4) travel to return to a place of residence from outside the jurisdiction; (5) travel required by law enforcement or court order; (6) travel by church staff or clergy for the purpose of production of remote delivery of religious services and other ministries requiring travel; (7) travel related to attending a funeral service; or (8) travel required for non-residents to return to their place of residence outside the County.
- b. For purposes of this Order, **"Essential Businesses"** means:
- i. **Essential Healthcare Operations.** Healthcare Operations includes but is not limited to hospitals, clinics, dentists, chiropractors, physical therapy, optometry offices, pharmacies, pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, other healthcare facilities, healthcare suppliers, mental health providers, substance abuse service providers, blood banks, medical research, laboratory services, certified doulas, or any related and/or ancillary healthcare services. Home-based and residential-based care for seniors, adults, or children are also considered healthcare operations. Healthcare operations also includes veterinary care and all health and welfare services provided to animals. This exemption shall be viewed broadly to avoid any impacts to the delivery of healthcare. Healthcare operations do not include fitness and exercise gyms, personal training, gymnastics studios, and similar facilities. Healthcare operations do not include elective medical, surgical, and dental procedures as established in accordance with Subsection 1(f) of this Order.



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- ii. **Essential Governmental Functions.** All services provided by local governments needed to ensure the continuing operation of the government agencies to provide for the health, safety and welfare of the public. Each governmental body will determine its Essential Governmental Functions and identify the employees and/or contractors necessary to the performance of those functions. Further, nothing in this order shall prohibit any individual from performing or accessing "Essential Governmental Functions." All Essential Governmental Functions shall be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet, to the extent possible. This Order does not apply to Federal or State Government.
- iii. **Essential Critical Infrastructure.** All public and private facilities and assets, including both physical and cyber systems, and other functions and sectors vital to the security, governance, and public health, safety of Dallas County. Critical infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, utilities such as electricity, gas, water and wastewater, roads and highways, public transportation, solid waste and recycle collection and removal, oil refining, roads and highways, public transportation, defense and national security-related operations, and manufacturing operations supplying essential items to Essential Businesses, Essential Governmental Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. All manufacturers and distributors shall comply with the Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors set out in Exhibit C. Critical Infrastructure employers should implement screening precautions to protect employees and all activity shall be performed in compliance with social distancing guidelines attached. For reference, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0, can be found here: <https://www.cisa.gov/publication/guidance-essential-critical-infrastructure-workforce>
- iv. **Stores that Sell Groceries and Other Essential Supplies.** Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, big-box stores, bodegas, liquor stores, convenience stores, and farmers' markets that sell food products and household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products. The sale of self-service food items is prohibited. Stores that sell groceries and other essential supplies shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- v. **Restaurants.** Restaurants with or without drive-in or drive-through services and microbreweries, micro-distilleries, or wineries may only provide take out, delivery, or drive-through services as allowed by law. In-person service is prohibited. Customers may order and pay inside, but are prohibited from waiting inside the restaurant for their food. All food must be brought outside to customers. To allow for increased access to restaurants, this Order hereby suspends all laws and regulations prohibiting people from walking in a drive-through.



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- vi. **Food Cultivation.** Food cultivation, including farming, fishing, and livestock.
- vii. **Delivery of Groceries and Essential Supplies.** Businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, hygiene products, and essential supplies directly to residences or essential businesses.
- viii. **Transportation.** Operation, maintenance, and repair of airlines, taxis, and other private transportation providers (such as Uber and Lyft) that provide transportation services necessary for the performance of essential activities and essential travel.
- ix. **Gas Stations and Businesses Needed for Transportation.** Gas stations, auto-supply stores, auto-repair, and bicycle repair. Auto-dealerships, for in-person mechanical services or to complete an online transaction on an appointment basis only. Gas stations and convenience stores are prohibited from selling self-service food items. Gas stations and businesses needed for transportation shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- x. **Critical Trades.** Plumbers, electricians, exterminators, janitors, lawn care services, pool cleaners, maintenance and security, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operations of residences, Essential Businesses, Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Critical Trade does not include discretionary maintenance or improvements. Union representatives and their staff for the purpose of performing critical labor union functions, including the maintenance of health and welfare funds and checking on the well-being and safety of members.

Construction. Construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited. Protecting construction worker from the spread of COVID19 is extremely important for their safety and for public health, all construction sites must follow the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition, including, but not limited to, the Rules for Construction Industry set out in Exhibit B. Failure to strictly comply with this Order can result in penalties described below. Additionally, the general contractor and non-compliant subcontractor can be removed from the essential business list.
- xi. **Professional Services.** Professional services, such as legal or accounting services, when necessary to assist in compliance with legally mandated activities or services necessary to avoid imminent harm to a client. Real estate and inspection services, but only for the purpose of title work and closing; in-person open houses and showings are prohibited.
- xii. **Financial Institutions.** Banks and related depository financial institutions, credit unions, insurance companies, title companies, payroll and accounting services. Non-depository institutions (such as payday lenders) are prohibited.



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- xiii. **Information Technology Services/Telecommunications Services.** IT and IT services and their essential service vendors, including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and web-based services, and critical manufacturing, as well as telecommunications services, internet access and broadband/communications services.
- xiv. **Essential Retail.** Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers., hardware stores, and related facilities. Firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security. Hardware stores and business that sell electrical, plumbing, and other materials necessary to support Essential Businesses, and Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Essential retail establishments shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- xv. **Hotels and Motels.** Hotels and motels, to the extent used for lodging or delivery or carry-out food services.
- xvi. **Providers of Basic Necessities to Economically Disadvantaged Populations.** Businesses or organizations that provide food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals.
- xvii. **Essential Services Necessary to Maintain Essential Operations of Residences or Other Essential Businesses.** . Businesses or services that supply other Essential Businesses, Essential Government Services, and Critical Infrastructure with the support or supplies needed to operate; including but not limited to mail, shipping and delivery services, warehouse/distribution and fulfillment, storage, moving services, janitorial services, laundry services, computer, audio or video electronics, sanitary equipment, and medical equipment.. To the extent possible, services shall be provided in compliance with Social Distancing Rules attached, including distancing of six feet and routine use of hand sanitizer.
- xviii. **Supplies to Work From Home.** Businesses that supply products needed for people to work from home.
- xix. **Public and Private Education.** Public and private educational institutions, only for the purposes of facilitating distance learning or performing essential functions, provided compliance with the Social Distancing Rules is maintained
- xx. **News Media.** Newspapers, television, radio, and other media services.
- xxi. **Childcare Services.** Childcare facilities providing services or community service providers offering childcare services under the following mandatory conditions:
 - 1. Childcare services shall only be provided to employees of Essential Businesses;
 - 2. Childcare must be carried out in stable groups of 12 or fewer ("stable" means that the same 12 or fewer children are in the same group each day);



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3. Children shall not change from one group to another;
 4. If more than one group of children is cared for at one facility, each group shall be in a separate room. Groups shall not mix with each other;
 5. Childcare providers shall remain solely with one group of children.
- xxii. **Animal Care Services.** Animal shelters, veterinary care, and pet food and supply stores. Grooming, if necessary for the health and wellbeing of the animal. Pet daycare, but only for employees of Essential Businesses. To the greatest extent possible, all services must be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet. Pet food and supply stores shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- xxiii. **Religious and Worship Services.** Religious and worship services may only be provided by audio, video, and teleconference. Religious institutions must limit in-person staff to ten (10) people or less at one time, and twenty-five (25) people total per day, when preparing for or conducting video or teleconference services, and all individuals must follow the Social Distancing Rules including the six feet social distancing.
- xxiv. **Funeral Services.** Funeral, mortuary, cremation, burial, cemetery, and related services, provided that social distancing of six feet per person is maintained to the greatest extent possible.
- c. For purposes of this Order, **Minimum Basic Operations** means the following, provided that employees comply with the Social Distancing Rules:
- i. The minimum necessary activities to maintain the value of the business's inventory, ensure security, process payroll and employee benefits, or for related functions.
 - ii. The minimum necessary activities to facilitate employees of the business being able to continue to work remotely from their residences.
3. The Dallas County Sheriff's Office, the Dallas County Fire Marshal's Office, and other peace officers, are hereby authorized to enforce this Order. A violation of this order may be punishable through criminal or civil enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days.
4. Any manufacturer who retools their business for the purpose of manufacturing and producing ventilators, masks, personal protective equipment, or any supply necessary for Essential Healthcare Operations may apply for an "essential business" exemption under this Order. Submit requests for an exemption to BusinessCOVID19@dallascounty.org.
5. All public, private, and commercial laboratories operating within Dallas County and performing COVID-19 testing shall report by 5:00 p.m. each day for the prior 24-hour period:
- a. The number of COVID-19 tests performed; and
 - b. The number of positive COVID-19 tests.



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Reports shall be made to Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins at Clay.Jenkins@dallascounty.org and Dallas County Health and Human Services Director Dr. Philip Huang at Philip.Huang@dallascounty.org. Reporting laboratories shall not provide names or any other identifiable health information that could be used to identify an individual patient.

6. Employers shall not implement any rules making a negative COVID-19 test or a note from a healthcare provider a requirement before a COVID-19 recovered employee can return to work.
7. Under this Order, no person shall sell any of the following goods or services for more than the regular retail price the person charged for the goods or services on March 16, 2020, except where an increased retail price is the result of increased supplier or other costs (including the loss of supplier supporting funds):
 - a. groceries, beverages, toilet articles, and ice;
 - b. restaurant, cafeteria, and boarding-house meals; and
 - c. medicine, pharmaceutical and medical equipment, and supplies.
8. Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, hospitals, and medical facilities are experiencing high levels of demand for a large number of products, requiring more deliveries from manufacturers and distribution centers to serve their customers. A number of Texas cities and local associations have implemented restrictions on delivery hours to stores to mitigate truck noise and traffic. Due to the need to deliver products as quickly and efficiently as possible during this critical timeframe, this Order hereby suspends all delivery hour restrictions for transport to or from any entity involved in the selling or distribution of food products, medicine, or medical supplies in Dallas County for the next 60 days.
9. Due to increased demand for bath or toilet tissue resulting from stock up buying and individuals who purchase for resale, a mandatory limit on toilet paper sales is instituted until the supply chain meets the demand or two weeks, whichever comes first. All sales of bath or toilet tissue occurring in Dallas County are limited to the greater of: (a) twelve (12) rolls per purchase or (b) one (1) package per purchase. This provision does not apply to the sale of bath or tissue paper to a government organization or essential business.
10. Due to the public health emergency, the Office of the Dallas County Judge hereby advises the Dallas County Justices of the Peace to suspend eviction hearings and writs of possession for at least the next 60 days to prevent renters from being displaced. Nothing in the moratorium relieves tenants of liability for unpaid rent. Landlords should cap late fees for delayed payment of rent at fifteen dollars (\$15) per month.
11. If someone in a household has tested positive for coronavirus, the household is ordered to isolate at home. Members of the household cannot go to work, school, or any other community function, except for workers included in Essential Healthcare Operations who may continue to work in accordance with CDC guidance.
12. Nursing homes, retirement, and long-term care facilities are instructed by this Order to prohibit non-essential visitors from accessing their facilities unless to provide critical assistance or for end-of-life visitation.



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13. Public and private schools and institutions of higher education are instructed by this Order to provide a safety plan to Dallas County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management 72 hours before students return to a classroom setting.
14. Additionally, the Office of the Dallas County Judge and the Health Authority instructs all employees to remain at home if sick. Employees of private businesses and nonprofits with six (6) or more employees in the City of Dallas can use their paid sick leave when they are sick or to care for sick family members.
15. This Order shall be in effect until 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020, or until it is either rescinded, superseded, or amended pursuant to applicable law.
16. The County of Dallas must promptly provide copies of this Order by posting on the Dallas County Health and Human Services website. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is strongly encouraged to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED
CLAY JENKINS
DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE



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EXHIBIT A

Rules for Essential Retailers

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus and protective measures to be taken in all establishments.

Definition of Essential Retailers.

1. Stores that Sell Groceries and Other Essential Supplies. Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, big-box stores, bodegas, liquor stores, convenience stores, and farmers' markets that sell food products and household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products.
2. Gas Stations and Businesses Needed for Transportation. Gas stations, auto-supply stores, auto-repair, and bicycle repair. Auto-dealerships, for in-person mechanical services or to complete an online transaction on an appointment basis only.
3. Other Essential Retailers. Pet food and supply stores. Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers, hardware stores, and related facilities. Firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security. Hardware stores and business that sell electrical, plumbing, and other materials necessary to support Essential Businesses, and Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure.

Safety Rules for All Essential Retailers. All employers involved in essential retail activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to an Essential Retailer. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, an Essential Retailer must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all employees with a forehead thermometer before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
6. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;



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7. Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift.
8. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so employees may follow hygiene guidelines;
9. There shall be no adverse action taken against an employee who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the employee has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
10. Employers must designate both a member of management as the COVID-19 Safety Monitor and a senior hourly worker (that is not a member of management) as the COVID-19 Vice Safety Monitor at each store to have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

General Rules for Essential Retailers.

1. Employers shall implement an organized line system where employees, customers, and other persons are not less than six feet apart at all times;
2. To the greatest extent practicable, designate shopping times for at risk populations (seniors, pregnant people, and people with underlying health conditions);
3. To the greatest extent possible, implement a system to restrict the number of customers who are physically present at an Essential Retailer so that six foot spacing may be maintained;
4. Employers shall implement purchase limits on high-demand items (toilet paper, soap, hand sanitizer). These purchase limits do not apply to a government organization or essential business;
5. To the greatest extent possible, employers shall offer pick up services or delivery services of grocery items and other essential supplies; and
6. Self-service food stations are prohibited. Self-service stations are defined as items that customers use common serving utensils to serve themselves, including but not limited to, salad bars, hot dog stands, self-service bulk food items, and other related food items. This section does not apply to self-checkout stations, so long as the checkout stations are cleaned at least every 30 minutes.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any essential retailer who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT B

Rules for the Construction Industry

Reason for Construction Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Construction as Critical Infrastructure. The Order classified construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools as critical infrastructure. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited.

Requirements for Construction. All employers involved in construction activity must follow the requirements set forth in the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition, including the rules below:

1. All workers and contractors (hereafter referred to as “workers”) must take their temperature at their residence. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible, implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker or contractor has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
3. To the greatest extent possible, shift work must be implemented such that each shift shall have no more than fifty percent (50%) of the workers who were on shift on March 16, 2020. Once assigned to a shift, workers shall not change from one shift to another;
4. To the greatest extent possible, limit crossover of subcontractors;
5. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
6. Workers must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
7. Workers must not use a common water cooler. Employers shall provide individual water bottles or instruct workers to bring their own;
8. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
9. Employers must provide soap and water and hand sanitizer in the workplace, including all restrooms. Ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
10. If running water is available at the site, workers must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, when they remove gloves, and before and after the use of shared items such as tools or multi-user devices, before and after any meal or restroom breaks, and when their shift or work time ends.
11. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines;
12. Employers must provide one (1) working flushing toilet for every fifteen (15) workers on site or one (1) outdoor portable toilet for every 10 workers on site;
13. There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not



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- reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
14. Employers must designate a COVID-19 safety monitor on each site who has the authority to enforce these rules;

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any general contractor or subcontractor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT C

Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Definition of Critical Manufacturers and Distributors. This Order defines Critical Manufacturing and Distribution as the industries listed in the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0.

Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors. All employers involved in critical manufacturing and distribution activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work at a manufacturing or distribution center. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors check the temperature of all employees before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a six (6) foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. To the extent practicable, employers shall adjust shift timing to allow for greater physical distance between employees;
6. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
7. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms. Employers shall ensure that adequate supplies of soap and hand sanitizer are maintained;
8. Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to departing the work site.
9. Employers shall discourage employees from sharing work tools when possible.
10. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so employees may follow hygiene guidelines;
11. There shall be no adverse action taken against an employee who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
12. Employers must designate both a member of management as the COVID-19 Safety Monitor and a senior hourly employee (that is not a member of management), or a non-management



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employee if an hourly employee is not available, as the COVID-19 Vice Safety Monitor at each site to have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any manufacturer and distributor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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DCHHS Social Distancing Rules

1) Vulnerable Populations: Limit Outings

- Vulnerable populations include people who are:
 - 60 years old and older.
 - People with certain health conditions such as heart disease, lung disease, diabetes, kidney disease and weakened immune systems.
- For vulnerable populations, don't go to gatherings unless it is essential. Stay home. Avoid people who are sick.

2) Workplace and Businesses: Minimize Exposure

- Suspend nonessential employee travel.
- Ensure employees practice social distancing and do not work within six feet of one another.
- Urge essential employees to stay home when they are sick and maximize flexibility in sick leave benefits.
- Do not require a doctor's note for employees who are sick.
- Maximize telecommuting options.
- Persons who need to be at work to provide essential services of great benefit to the community must take steps in their workplace to minimize risk.

3) Cancel Non-essential Events

- Cancel non-essential events.
- Do not attend any events or gatherings if sick.
- For events that aren't cancelled, we recommend:
 - Having hand washing capabilities, hand sanitizers and tissues available.
 - Frequently cleaning high touch surface areas like counter tops and hand rails.
 - Finding ways to implement social distancing..

4) Schools: Safety First

- Do not have your child attend school if sick.
- If you have a child with chronic health conditions, consult the child's doctor about school attendance.
- Schools should equip all classrooms with hand sanitizers and tissues.
- Recommend rescheduling or cancelling events that are not essential.
- Explore remote teaching and online options to continue learning.
- Schools should develop a plan for citywide school closures, and families should prepare for further closures.

5) Transit: Cleaning and Protection

- Increase cleaning of vehicles and high touch surface areas.
- Provide hand washing/hand sanitizers and tissues in stations and on vehicles.
- Ensure social distancing practices are implemented to the full extent possible.



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6) Health Care Settings: Avoid as possible, protect the vulnerable

- Long-term care facilities should have a COVID-19 plan in accordance with CDC or state guidelines.
- Long-term care facilities should restrict all visitation except for certain compassionate care situations, such as end of life situations.
- The general public should avoid going to medical settings such as hospitals, nursing homes and long-term care facilities, even if you are not ill.
- If you are ill, call your health care provider ahead of time, and you may be able to be served by phone.
- Do not visit emergency rooms unless it is essential.
- Follow guidance and directions of all facilities.

7) Everyone: Do your part

The best way for all Dallas County residents to reduce their risk of getting sick, as with seasonal colds or the flu, still applies to prevent COVID-19:

- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Cough or sneeze into your elbow or a tissue. Throw the tissue in the trash.
- Stay home if you are sick.
- Avoid touching your face.
- Try alternatives to shaking hands, like an elbow bump or wave.
- If you have recently returned from a country, state or region with ongoing COVID-19 infections, monitor your health and follow the instructions of public health officials and CDC guidance.
- There is no recommendation to wear masks at this time to prevent yourself from getting sick.

You can also prepare for the disruption caused by an outbreak. Preparedness actions include:

- Prepare to work from home if that is possible for your job, and your employer.
- Make sure you have a supply of all essential medications for your family.
- Prepare a child care plan if you or a caregiver are sick.
- Make arrangements about how your family will manage school closures.
- Plan for how you can care for a sick family member without getting sick yourself.
- Take care of each other and check in by phone with friends, family and neighbors that are vulnerable to serious illness or death if they get COVID-19.
- Keep common spaces clean to help maintain a healthy environment for you and others. Frequently touched surfaces should be cleaned regularly with disinfecting sprays, wipes or common household cleaning products.

**NOTE: This Amendment Noto Exhibit B has been replaced.
SEE AMENDMENT No. 11 to EXHIBIT B (Page 039).**

**AMENDMENT NO. 2
TO
EXHIBIT B
To Ordinance No. 4773**

AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS
Safer-At-Home, dated April 2, 2020

AND

Safer-At-Home Order April 2, 2020 Order: Summary of Changes

AND

Stay-Home-Stay-Safe Rules for Manufactures and Distributors



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AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS

Safer At Home Order

DATE AMENDED ORDER ISSUED: April 2, 2020

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency on March 12, 2020, due to a novel coronavirus now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Judge Jenkins issued an Order in furtherance of his authority to protect the safety and welfare of the public by slowing the spread of the virus;

WHEREAS, the on-going evaluation of circumstances related to the virus and the updated recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and the Texas Department of State Health Services warrant the March 12, 2020 Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins be amended;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump acknowledged the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic, releasing strict new guidelines to limit people's interactions, including that Americans should avoid groups of more than 10 people;

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Dallas County Commissioners Court issued an Order of Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Dallas County Emergency Management Plan and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster until 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020, unless rescinded by order of the Commissioners Court.

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the World Health Organization indicated that the United States has the potential to become the center of the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, this Emergency Order is necessary because of the propensity of the virus to spread person to person and also because the virus is physically causing property damage due to its proclivity to attach to surfaces for prolonged periods of time;

WHEREAS, this Emergency Order is necessary to protect the lives, health, welfare, and safety of the County's residents from the devastating impacts of this pandemic;

THEREFORE, the March 12, 2020, Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins is hereby AMENDED as follows:

Summary: The virus that causes 2019 Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) is easily transmitted through person to person contact, especially in group settings, and it is essential that the spread of the virus be slowed to protect the ability of public and private health care providers to handle the influx of new patients and safeguard public health and safety. Because of the risk of the rapid spread of the virus, and the need to protect the most vulnerable members of the community, this Order requires all individuals anywhere in Dallas County to shelter in place – that is, stay at home – except for certain essential activities and work to provide essential business and government services or perform essential public infrastructure construction, including housing. This Order



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takes effect at 11:59 p.m. on April 2, 2020 and will continue through 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020, subject to the limited exceptions and under the terms and conditions more particularly set forth below.

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE

SECTION 418.108, DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS ORDERS:

1. Effective as of 11:59 p.m. on April 2, 2020, and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020:
 - (a) All individuals currently living within Dallas County are ordered to shelter at their place of residence. For the purposes of this Order, residences include hotels, motels, shared rentals, and similar facilities. To the extent individuals are using shared or outdoor spaces, they must at all times as reasonably as possible maintain social distancing of at least six feet from any other person when they are outside their residence. All persons may leave their residences only for Essential Activities, or to provide or perform Essential Governmental Functions, or to operate Essential Businesses, all as defined in Section 2.
 - (b) All businesses operating within Dallas County, except Essential Businesses as defined in below in Section 2, are required to cease all activities at facilities located within the County except Minimum Basic Operations as defined in Section 2. For clarity, businesses may continue operations consisting exclusively of employees or contractors performing activities at their own residences (i.e. working from home). To the greatest extent possible, all Essential Businesses shall comply with the Social Distancing Rules attached, including maintaining six feet social distancing for both employees and the general public.
 - (c) Employees of Essential Businesses, whose physical presence at the workplace is not essential to operations, are directed to use telecommuting to the fullest extent possible.
 - (d) All public or private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit are prohibited, except as otherwise provided herein. Nothing in this Order prohibits the gathering of members of a household or living unit.
 - (e) All elective medical, surgical, and dental procedures are prohibited anywhere in Dallas County. Hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers, dental offices, and other medical facilities are directed to identify procedures that are deemed "elective" by assessing which procedures can be postponed or cancelled based on patient risk considering the emergency need for redirection of resources to COVID-19 response.
2. Definitions:
 - a. For purposes of this Order, individuals may leave their residence only to perform any of the following "**Essential Activities**":
 - i. To engage in activities or perform tasks essential to their health and safety, or to the health and safety of their family or household members (for



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example, obtaining medical supplies or medication, visiting a health care professional, or obtaining supplies need to work from home).

- ii. To obtain necessary services or supplies for themselves and their family or household members, or to deliver those services or supplies to others (for example, food, pet supply, and any other household consumer products, and products necessary to maintain the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences.
 - iii. To engage in outdoor activity, provided the individuals comply with social distancing requirements of six feet (for example, walking, biking, hiking, running, golfing, and tennis).
 - iv. To perform work providing essential products and services at an Essential Business or to otherwise carry out activities specifically permitted in this Order.
 - v. To care for a family member or pet in another household.
 - vi. To move to another residence either in or outside Dallas County.
 - vii. To engage in **“Essential Travel,”** which includes travel for any of the following purposes: (1) travel related to the provision of or access to Essential Activities, Essential Governmental Functions, Essential Businesses Essential Critical Infrastructure, and Minimum Basic Operation; (2) travel to care for elderly, minors, dependents, persons with disabilities, or other vulnerable persons; (3) travel to or from educational institutions for purposes of receiving materials for distance learning, for receiving meals, and any other related services; (4) travel to return to a place of residence from outside the jurisdiction; (5) travel required by law enforcement or court order; (6) travel by church staff or clergy for the purpose of production of remote delivery of religious services and other ministries requiring travel; (7) travel related to attending a funeral service; or (8) travel required for non-residents to return to their place of residence outside the County.
- b. For purposes of this Order, **“Essential Businesses”** means:
- i. **Essential Healthcare Operations.** Healthcare Operations includes but is not limited to hospitals, clinics, dentists, chiropractors, physical therapy, optometry offices, pharmacies, pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, other healthcare facilities, healthcare suppliers, mental health providers, substance abuse service providers, blood banks, medical research, laboratory services, certified doulas, or any related and/or ancillary healthcare services. Home-based and residential-based care for seniors, adults, or children are also considered healthcare operations. Healthcare operations also includes veterinary care and all health and welfare services provided to animals. This exemption shall be viewed broadly to avoid any impacts to the delivery of healthcare. Healthcare operations do not include fitness and exercise gyms, personal training, gymnastics studios, and similar facilities. Healthcare operations do not include elective medical, surgical, and dental procedures as established in accordance with Subsection 1(f) of this Order.



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- ii. **Essential Governmental Functions.** All services provided by local governments needed to ensure the continuing operation of the government agencies to provide for the health, safety and welfare of the public. Each governmental body will determine its Essential Governmental Functions and identify the employees and/or contractors necessary to the performance of those functions. Further, nothing in this order shall prohibit any individual from performing or accessing “Essential Governmental Functions.” All Essential Governmental Functions shall be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet, to the extent possible. This Order does not apply to Federal or State Government.
- iii. **Essential Critical Infrastructure.** All public and private facilities and assets, including both physical and cyber systems, and other functions and sectors vital to the security, governance, and public health, safety of Dallas County. Critical infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, utilities such as electricity, gas, water and wastewater, roads and highways, public transportation, solid waste and recycle collection and removal, oil refining, roads and highways, public transportation, defense and national security-related operations, and manufacturing operations supplying essential items to Essential Businesses, Essential Governmental Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. All manufacturers and distributors shall comply with the Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors set out in Exhibit C. Critical Infrastructure employers should implement screening precautions to protect employees and all activity shall be performed in compliance with social distancing guidelines attached. For reference, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0, can be found here: <https://www.cisa.gov/publication/guidance-essential-critical-infrastructure-workforce>
- iv. **Stores that Sell Groceries and Other Essential Supplies.** Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, big-box stores, bodegas, liquor stores, convenience stores, and farmers’ markets that sell food products and household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products. The sale of self-service food items is prohibited. Stores that sell groceries and other essential supplies shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- v. **Restaurants.** Restaurants with or without drive-in or drive-through services and microbreweries, micro-distilleries, or wineries may only provide take out, delivery, or drive-through services as allowed by law. In-person service is prohibited. Customers may order and pay inside, but are prohibited from waiting inside the restaurant for their food. All food must be brought outside to customers. To allow for increased access to restaurants, this Order hereby suspends all laws and regulations prohibiting people from walking in a drive-through.



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- vi. **Food Cultivation.** Food cultivation, including farming, fishing, and livestock.
- vii. **Delivery of Groceries and Essential Supplies.** Businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, hygiene products, and essential supplies directly to residences or essential businesses.
- viii. **Transportation.** Operation, maintenance, and repair of airlines, taxis, and other private transportation providers (such as Uber and Lyft) that provide transportation services necessary for the performance of essential activities and essential travel.
- ix. **Gas Stations and Businesses Needed for Transportation.** Gas stations, auto-supply stores, auto-repair, and bicycle repair. Auto-dealerships, for in-person mechanical services or to complete an online transaction on an appointment basis only. Gas stations and convenience stores are prohibited from selling self-service food items. Gas stations and businesses needed for transportation shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- x. **Critical Trades.** Plumbers, electricians, exterminators, janitors, lawn care services, pool cleaners, maintenance and security, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operations of residences, Essential Businesses, Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Critical Trade does not include discretionary maintenance or improvements. Union representatives and their staff for the purpose of performing critical labor union functions, including the maintenance of health and welfare funds and checking on the well-being and safety of members.

Construction. Construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited. Protecting construction worker from the spread of COVID19 is extremely important for their safety and for public health, all construction sites must follow the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition, including, but not limited to, the Rules for Construction Industry set out in Exhibit B. Failure to strictly comply with this Order can result in penalties described below. Additionally, the general contractor and non-compliant subcontractor can be removed from the essential business list.
- xi. **Professional Services.** Professional services, such as legal or accounting services, when necessary to assist in compliance with legally mandated activities or services necessary to avoid imminent harm to a client. Real estate and inspection services, but only for the purpose of title work and closing; in-person open houses and showings are prohibited.
- xii. **Financial Institutions.** Banks and related depository financial institutions, credit unions, insurance companies, title companies, payroll and accounting services. Non-depository institutions (such as payday lenders) are prohibited.



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- xiii. **Information Technology Services/Telecommunications Services.** IT and IT services and their essential service vendors, including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and web-based services, and critical manufacturing, as well as telecommunications services, internet access and broadband/communications services.
- xiv. **Essential Retail.** Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers., hardware stores, and related facilities. Firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security. Hardware stores and business that sell electrical, plumbing, and other materials necessary to support Essential Businesses, and Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Essential retail establishments shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- xv. **Hotels and Motels.** Hotels and motels, to the extent used for lodging or delivery or carry-out food services.
- xvi. **Providers of Basic Necessities to Economically Disadvantaged Populations.** Businesses or organizations that provide food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals.
- xvii. **Essential Services Necessary to Maintain Essential Operations of Residences or Other Essential Businesses.** . Businesses or services that supply other Essential Businesses, Essential Government Services, and Critical Infrastructure with the support or supplies needed to operate; including but not limited to mail, shipping and delivery services, warehouse/distribution and fulfillment, storage, moving services, janitorial services, laundry services, computer, audio or video electronics, sanitary equipment, and medical equipment.. To the extent possible, services shall be provided in compliance with Social Distancing Rules attached, including distancing of six feet and routine use of hand sanitizer.
- xviii. **Supplies to Work From Home.** Businesses that supply products needed for people to work from home.
- xix. **Public and Private Education.** Public and private educational institutions, only for the purposes of facilitating distance learning or performing essential functions, provided compliance with the Social Distancing Rules is maintained
- xx. **News Media.** Newspapers, television, radio, and other media services.
- xxi. **Childcare Services.** Childcare facilities providing services or community service providers offering childcare services under the following mandatory conditions:
 - 1. Childcare services shall only be provided to employees of Essential Businesses;
 - 2. Childcare must be carried out in stable groups of 12 or fewer ("stable" means that the same 12 or fewer children are in the same group each day);



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3. Children shall not change from one group to another;
 4. If more than one group of children is cared for at one facility, each group shall be in a separate room. Groups shall not mix with each other;
 5. Childcare providers shall remain solely with one group of children.
- xxii. **Animal Care Services.** Animal shelters, veterinary care, and pet food and supply stores. Grooming, if necessary for the health and wellbeing of the animal. Pet daycare, but only for employees of Essential Businesses. To the greatest extent possible, all services must be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet. Pet food and supply stores shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- xxiii. **Religious and Worship Services.** Religious and worship services may only be provided by audio, video, and teleconference. Religious institutions must limit in-person staff to ten (10) people or less at one time, and twenty-five (25) people total per day, when preparing for or conducting video or teleconference services, and all individuals must follow the Social Distancing Rules including the six feet social distancing.
- xxiv. **Funeral Services.** Funeral, mortuary, cremation, burial, cemetery, and related services, provided that social distancing of six feet per person is maintained to the greatest extent possible.
- c. For purposes of this Order, **Minimum Basic Operations** means the following, provided that employees comply with the Social Distancing Rules:
- i. The minimum necessary activities to maintain the value of the business's inventory, ensure security, process payroll and employee benefits, or for related functions.
 - ii. The minimum necessary activities to facilitate employees of the business being able to continue to work remotely from their residences.
3. The Dallas County Sheriff's Office, the Dallas County Fire Marshal's Office, and other peace officers, are hereby authorized to enforce this Order. A violation of this order may be punishable through criminal or civil enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days.
4. Any manufacturer who retools their business for the purpose of manufacturing and producing ventilators, masks, personal protective equipment, or any supply necessary for Essential Healthcare Operations may apply for an "essential business" exemption under this Order. Submit requests for an exemption to BusinessCOVID19@dallascounty.org.
5. All public, private, and commercial laboratories operating within Dallas County and performing COVID-19 testing shall report by 5:00 p.m. each day for the prior 24-hour period:
- a. The number of COVID-19 tests performed; and
 - b. The number of positive COVID-19 tests.



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Reports shall be made to Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins at Clay.Jenkins@dallascounty.org and Dallas County Health and Human Services Director Dr. Philip Huang at Philip.Huang@dallascounty.org. Reporting laboratories shall not provide names or any other identifiable health information that could be used to identify an individual patient.

6. Employers shall not implement any rules making a negative COVID-19 test or a note from a healthcare provider a requirement before a COVID-19 recovered employee can return to work.
7. Under this Order, no person shall sell any of the following goods or services for more than the regular retail price the person charged for the goods or services on March 16, 2020, except where an increased retail price is the result of increased supplier or other costs (including the loss of supplier supporting funds):
 - a. groceries, beverages, toilet articles, and ice;
 - b. restaurant, cafeteria, and boarding-house meals; and
 - c. medicine, pharmaceutical and medical equipment, and supplies.
8. Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, hospitals, and medical facilities are experiencing high levels of demand for a large number of products, requiring more deliveries from manufacturers and distribution centers to serve their customers. A number of Texas cities and local associations have implemented restrictions on delivery hours to stores to mitigate truck noise and traffic. Due to the need to deliver products as quickly and efficiently as possible during this critical timeframe, this Order hereby suspends all delivery hour restrictions for transport to or from any entity involved in the selling or distribution of food products, medicine, or medical supplies in Dallas County for the next 60 days.
9. Due to increased demand for bath or toilet tissue resulting from stock up buying and individuals who purchase for resale, a mandatory limit on toilet paper sales is instituted until the supply chain meets the demand or two weeks, whichever comes first. All sales of bath or toilet tissue occurring in Dallas County are limited to the greater of: (a) twelve (12) rolls per purchase or (b) one (1) package per purchase. This provision does not apply to the sale of bath or tissue paper to a government organization or essential business.
10. Due to the public health emergency, the Office of the Dallas County Judge hereby advises the Dallas County Justices of the Peace to suspend eviction hearings and writs of possession for at least the next 60 days to prevent renters from being displaced. Nothing in the moratorium relieves tenants of liability for unpaid rent. Landlords should cap late fees for delayed payment of rent at fifteen dollars (\$15) per month.
11. If someone in a household has tested positive for coronavirus, the household is ordered to isolate at home. Members of the household cannot go to work, school, or any other community function, except for workers included in Essential Healthcare Operations who may continue to work in accordance with CDC guidance.
12. Nursing homes, retirement, and long-term care facilities are instructed by this Order to prohibit non-essential visitors from accessing their facilities unless to provide critical assistance or for end-of-life visitation.



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13. Public and private schools and institutions of higher education are instructed by this Order to provide a safety plan to Dallas County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management 72 hours before students return to a classroom setting.
14. Additionally, the Office of the Dallas County Judge and the Health Authority instructs all employees to remain at home if sick. Employees of private businesses and nonprofits with six (6) or more employees in the City of Dallas can use their paid sick leave when they are sick or to care for sick family members.
15. This Order shall be in effect until 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020, or until it is either rescinded, superseded, or amended pursuant to applicable law.
16. The County of Dallas must promptly provide copies of this Order by posting on the Dallas County Health and Human Services website. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is strongly encouraged to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED
CLAY JENKINS
DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE



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EXHIBIT A

Rules for Essential Retailers

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus and protective measures to be taken in all establishments.

Definition of Essential Retailers.

1. Stores that Sell Groceries and Other Essential Supplies. Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, big-box stores, bodegas, liquor stores, convenience stores, and farmers' markets that sell food products and household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products.
2. Gas Stations and Businesses Needed for Transportation. Gas stations, auto-supply stores, auto-repair, and bicycle repair. Auto-dealerships, for in-person mechanical services or to complete an online transaction on an appointment basis only.
3. Other Essential Retailers. Pet food and supply stores. Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers, hardware stores, and related facilities. Firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security. Hardware stores and business that sell electrical, plumbing, and other materials necessary to support Essential Businesses, and Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure.

Safety Rules for All Essential Retailers. All employers involved in essential retail activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All workers must take their temperature at their residence before going to an Essential Retailer. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to an essential retailer or other place of business, and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, an Essential Retailer must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Workers must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
5. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
6. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
7. Workers must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift.



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8. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines;
9. There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
10. Employers must designate both a member of management as the COVID-19 Safety Monitor and a senior hourly worker (that is not a member of management) as the COVID-19 Vice Safety Monitor at each store to have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

General Rules for Essential Retailers.

1. Employers shall implement an organized line system where workers, customers, and other persons are not less than six feet apart at all times;
2. To the greatest extent practicable, designate shopping times for at risk populations (seniors, pregnant people, and people with underlying health conditions);
3. To the greatest extent possible, implement a system to restrict the number of customers who are physically present at an Essential Retailer so that six foot spacing may be maintained;
4. Employers shall implement purchase limits on high-demand items (toilet paper, soap, hand sanitizer). These purchase limits do not apply to a government organization or essential business;
5. To the greatest extent possible, employers shall offer pick up services or delivery services of grocery items and other essential supplies; and
6. Self-service food stations are prohibited. Self-service stations are defined as items that customers use common serving utensils to serve themselves, including but not limited to, salad bars, hot dog stands, self-service bulk food items, and other related food items. This section does not apply to self-checkout stations, so long as the checkout stations are cleaned at least every 30 minutes.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any essential retailer who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT B

Rules for the Construction Industry

Reason for Construction Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Construction as Critical Infrastructure. The Order classified construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools as critical infrastructure. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited.

Requirements for Construction. All employers involved in construction activity must follow the requirements set forth in the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition, including the rules below:

1. All workers and contractors (hereafter referred to as “workers”) must take their temperature at their residence. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible, implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker or contractor has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
3. To the greatest extent possible, shift work must be implemented such that each shift shall have no more than fifty percent (50%) of the workers who were on shift on March 16, 2020. Once assigned to a shift, workers shall not change from one shift to another;
4. To the greatest extent possible, limit crossover of subcontractors;
5. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
6. Workers must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
7. Workers must not use a common water cooler. Employers shall provide individual water bottles or instruct workers to bring their own;
8. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
9. Employers must provide soap and water and hand sanitizer in the workplace, including all restrooms. Ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
10. If running water is available at the site, workers must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, when they remove gloves, and before and after the use of shared items such as tools or multi-user devices, before and after any meal or restroom breaks, and when their shift or work time ends.
11. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines;
12. Employers must provide one (1) working flushing toilet for every fifteen (15) workers on site or one (1) outdoor portable toilet for every 10 workers on site;
13. There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not



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- reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
14. Employers must designate a COVID-19 safety monitor on each site who has the authority to enforce these rules;

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any general contractor or subcontractor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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EXHIBIT C

Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Definition of Critical Manufacturers and Distributors. This Order defines Critical Manufacturing and Distribution as the industries listed in the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0.

Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors. All employers involved in critical manufacturing and distribution activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work at a manufacturing or distribution center. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors check the temperature of all employees before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a six (6) foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. To the extent practicable, employers shall adjust shift timing to allow for greater physical distance between employees;
6. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
7. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms. Employers shall ensure that adequate supplies of soap and hand sanitizer are maintained;
8. Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to departing the work site.
9. Employers shall discourage employees from sharing work tools when possible.
10. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so employees may follow hygiene guidelines;
11. There shall be no adverse action taken against an employee who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
12. Employers must designate both a member of management as the COVID-19 Safety Monitor and a senior hourly employee (that is not a member of management), or a non-management



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employee if an hourly employee is not available, as the COVID-19 Vice Safety Monitor at each site to have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any manufacturer and distributor who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.



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DCHHS Social Distancing Rules

1) Vulnerable Populations: Limit Outings

- Vulnerable populations include people who are:
 - 60 years old and older.
 - People with certain health conditions such as heart disease, lung disease, diabetes, kidney disease and weakened immune systems.
- For vulnerable populations, don't go to gatherings unless it is essential. Stay home. Avoid people who are sick.

2) Workplace and Businesses: Minimize Exposure

- Suspend nonessential employee travel.
- Ensure employees practice social distancing and do not work within six feet of one another.
- Urge essential employees to stay home when they are sick and maximize flexibility in sick leave benefits.
- Do not require a doctor's note for employees who are sick.
- Maximize telecommuting options.
- Persons who need to be at work to provide essential services of great benefit to the community must take steps in their workplace to minimize risk.

3) Cancel Non-essential Events

- Cancel non-essential events.
- Do not attend any events or gatherings if sick.
- For events that aren't cancelled, we recommend:
 - Having hand washing capabilities, hand sanitizers and tissues available.
 - Frequently cleaning high touch surface areas like counter tops and hand rails.
 - Finding ways to implement social distancing..

4) Schools: Safety First

- Do not have your child attend school if sick.
- If you have a child with chronic health conditions, consult the child's doctor about school attendance.
- Schools should equip all classrooms with hand sanitizers and tissues.
- Recommend rescheduling or cancelling events that are not essential.
- Explore remote teaching and online options to continue learning.
- Schools should develop a plan for citywide school closures, and families should prepare for further closures.

5) Transit: Cleaning and Protection

- Increase cleaning of vehicles and high touch surface areas.
- Provide hand washing/hand sanitizers and tissues in stations and on vehicles.
- Ensure social distancing practices are implemented to the full extent possible.



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6) Health Care Settings: Avoid as possible, protect the vulnerable

- Long-term care facilities should have a COVID-19 plan in accordance with CDC or state guidelines.
- Long-term care facilities should restrict all visitation except for certain compassionate care situations, such as end of life situations.
- The general public should avoid going to medical settings such as hospitals, nursing homes and long-term care facilities, even if you are not ill.
- If you are ill, call your health care provider ahead of time, and you may be able to be served by phone.
- Do not visit emergency rooms unless it is essential.
- Follow guidance and directions of all facilities.

7) Everyone: Do your part

The best way for all Dallas County residents to reduce their risk of getting sick, as with seasonal colds or the flu, still applies to prevent COVID-19:

- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Cough or sneeze into your elbow or a tissue. Throw the tissue in the trash.
- Stay home if you are sick.
- Avoid touching your face.
- Try alternatives to shaking hands, like an elbow bump or wave.
- If you have recently returned from a country, state or region with ongoing COVID-19 infections, monitor your health and follow the instructions of public health officials and CDC guidance.
- There is no recommendation to wear masks at this time to prevent yourself from getting sick.

You can also prepare for the disruption caused by an outbreak. Preparedness actions include:

- Prepare to work from home if that is possible for your job, and your employer.
- Make sure you have a supply of all essential medications for your family.
- Prepare a child care plan if you or a caregiver are sick.
- Make arrangements about how your family will manage school closures.
- Plan for how you can care for a sick family member without getting sick yourself.
- Take care of each other and check in by phone with friends, family and neighbors that are vulnerable to serious illness or death if they get COVID-19.
- Keep common spaces clean to help maintain a healthy environment for you and others. Frequently touched surfaces should be cleaned regularly with disinfecting sprays, wipes or common household cleaning products.



Safer at Home Order

April 2, 2020 Order: Summary of Changes

- 1. Adds safety rules for manufacturers and distributors**
- 2. Caps late fees for rent at \$15/month**
- 3. Requires employees of essential businesses to telecommute when possible**
- 4. Prohibits employers from requiring negative COVID test of physician note before recovered employee can go back to work**
 - a. This provision is to prevent placing an additional burden on healthcare systems
- 5. Clarifies that limits on purchases of toilet paper and other essential items do not apply to Essential Businesses and Government Offices**



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Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors

This document provides guidance for persons and business associated with the building and construction industries and trades on the meaning and application of Order issued by Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins on April 02, 2020 (the "Order").

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Definition of Critical Manufacturers and Distributors. This Order defines Critical Manufacturing and Distribution as the industries listed in the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0.

Rules for Manufacturers and Distributors. All employers involved in critical manufacturing and distribution activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All employees must take their temperature at their residence before going to work at a manufacturing or distribution center. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, employers must implement a system whereby supervisors check the temperature of all employees before the employee begins work. If an employee has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are not permitted to work and must be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Employees must keep a six (6) foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the employees;
5. To the extent practicable, employers shall adjust shift timing to allow for greater physical distance between employees;
6. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
7. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms. Employers shall ensure that adequate supplies of soap and hand sanitizer are maintained;



8. Employees must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to departing the work site.
9. Employers shall discourage employees from sharing work tools when possible.
10. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so employees may follow hygiene guidelines;
11. There shall be no adverse action taken against an employee who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
12. Employers must designate both a member of management as the COVID-19 Safety Monitor and a senior hourly employee (that is not a member of management), or a non-management employee if an hourly employee is not available, as the COVID-19 Vice Safety Monitor at each site to have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

Enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days. Additionally, any manufacturer or distributors who fails to strictly comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list and prohibited from operating in Dallas County.

NOTE: This Amendment No. 1 to Exhibit B has been replaced.

SEE AMENDMENT No. 11 to EXHIBIT B (Page 039).

**AMENDMENT NO. 1
TO
EXHIBIT B
To Ordinance No. 4773**

AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS
Stay-Home-Stay-Safe, dated March 31, 2020

AND

Stay Home Stay Safe Rules for the Construction Industry Frequently Asked Questions



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AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS

Stay Home Stay Safe

DATE AMENDED ORDER ISSUED: March 31, 2020

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency on March 12, 2020, due to a novel coronavirus now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Judge Jenkins issued an Order in furtherance of his authority to protect the safety and welfare of the public by slowing the spread of the virus;

WHEREAS, the on-going evaluation of circumstances related to the virus and the updated recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and the Texas Department of State Health Services warrant the March 12, 2020 Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins be amended;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump acknowledged the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic, releasing strict new guidelines to limit people's interactions, including that Americans should avoid groups of more than 10 people;

WHEREAS, The COVID-19 virus causes property loss or damage due to its ability to attach to surfaces for prolonged periods of time; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Dallas County Commissioners Court issued an Order of Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Dallas County Emergency Management Plan and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster until 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020, unless rescinded by order of the Commissioners Court.

THEREFORE, the March 12, 2020, Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins is hereby AMENDED as follows:

Summary: The virus that causes 2019 Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) is easily transmitted through person to person contact, especially in group settings, and it is essential that the spread of the virus be slowed to protect the ability of public and private health care providers to handle the influx of new patients and safeguard public health and safety. Because of the risk of the rapid spread of the virus, and the need to protect the most vulnerable members of the community, this Order requires all individuals anywhere in Dallas County to shelter in place – that is, stay at home – except for certain essential activities and work to provide essential business and government services or perform essential public infrastructure construction, including housing. This Order takes effect at 11:59 p.m. on March 31, 2020 and will continue through 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020, subject to the limited exceptions and under the terms and conditions more particularly set forth below.

**UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE
SECTION 418.108, DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS ORDERS:**



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1. Effective as of 11:59 p.m. on March 31, 2020, and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020:

- (a) All individuals currently living within Dallas County are ordered to shelter at their place of residence. For the purposes of this Order, residences include hotels, motels, shared rentals, and similar facilities. To the extent individuals are using shared or outdoor spaces, they must at all times as reasonably as possible maintain social distancing of at least six feet from any other person when they are outside their residence. All persons may leave their residences only for Essential Activities, or to provide or perform Essential Governmental Functions, or to operate Essential Businesses, all as defined in Section 2.
- (b) All businesses operating within Dallas County, except Essential Businesses as defined in below in Section 2, are required to cease all activities at facilities located within the County except Minimum Basic Operations as defined in Section 2. For clarity, businesses may continue operations consisting exclusively of employees or contractors performing activities at their own residences (i.e. working from home). To the greatest extent possible, all Essential Businesses shall comply with the Social Distancing Rules attached, including maintaining six feet social distancing for both employees and the general public.
- (c) All public or private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit are prohibited, except as otherwise provided herein. Nothing in this Order prohibits the gathering of members of a household or living unit.
- (d) All elective medical, surgical, and dental procedures are prohibited anywhere in Dallas County. Hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers, dental offices, and other medical facilities are directed to identify procedures that are deemed "elective" by assessing which procedures can be postponed or cancelled based on patient risk considering the emergency need for redirection of resources to COVID-19 response.

2. Definitions:

- a. For purposes of this Order, individuals may leave their residence only to perform any of the following "**Essential Activities**":
 - i. To engage in activities or perform tasks essential to their health and safety, or to the health and safety of their family or household members (for example, obtaining medical supplies or medication, visiting a health care professional, or obtaining supplies need to work from home).
 - ii. To obtain necessary services or supplies for themselves and their family or household members, or to deliver those services or supplies to others (for example, food, pet supply, and any other household consumer products, and products necessary to maintain the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences).
 - iii. To engage in outdoor activity, provided the individuals comply with social distancing requirements of six feet (for example, walking, biking, hiking, running, golfing, and tennis).



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- iv. To perform work providing essential products and services at an Essential Business or to otherwise carry out activities specifically permitted in this Order.
 - v. To care for a family member or pet in another household.
 - vi. To move to another residence either in or outside Dallas County.
 - vii. To engage in “**Essential Travel**,” which includes travel for any of the following purposes: (1) travel related to the provision of or access to Essential Activities, Essential Governmental Functions, Essential Businesses Essential Critical Infrastructure, and Minimum Basic Operation; (2) travel to care for elderly, minors, dependents, persons with disabilities, or other vulnerable persons; (3) travel to or from educational institutions for purposes of receiving materials for distance learning, for receiving meals, and any other related services; (4) travel to return to a place of residence from outside the jurisdiction; (5) travel required by law enforcement or court order; (6) travel by church staff or clergy for the purpose of production of remote delivery of religious services and other ministries requiring travel; (7) travel related to attending a funeral service; or (8) travel required for non-residents to return to their place of residence outside the County.
- b. For purposes of this Order, “**Essential Businesses**” means:
- i. **Essential Healthcare Operations.** Healthcare Operations includes but is not limited to hospitals, clinics, dentists, chiropractors, physical therapy, optometry offices, pharmacies, pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, other healthcare facilities, healthcare suppliers, mental health providers, substance abuse service providers, blood banks, medical research, laboratory services, certified doulas, or any related and/or ancillary healthcare services. Home-based and residential-based care for seniors, adults, or children are also considered healthcare operations. Healthcare operations also includes veterinary care and all health and welfare services provided to animals. This exemption shall be viewed broadly to avoid any impacts to the delivery of healthcare. Healthcare operations do not include fitness and exercise gyms, personal training, gymnastics studios, and similar facilities. Healthcare operations do not include elective medical, surgical, and dental procedures as established in accordance with Subsection 1(f) of this Order.
 - ii. **Essential Governmental Functions.** All services provided by local governments needed to ensure the continuing operation of the government agencies to provide for the health, safety and welfare of the public. Each governmental body will determine its Essential Governmental Functions and identify the employees and/or contractors necessary to the performance of those functions. Further, nothing in this order shall prohibit any individual from performing or accessing “Essential Governmental Functions.” All Essential Governmental Functions shall be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet, to the extent possible. This Order does not apply to Federal or State Government.



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- iii. **Essential Critical Infrastructure.** All public and private facilities and assets, including both physical and cyber systems, and other functions and sectors vital to the security, governance, and public health, safety of Dallas County. Critical infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, utilities such as electricity, gas, water and wastewater, roads and highways, public transportation, solid waste and recycle collection and removal, oil refining, roads and highways, public transportation, defense and national security-related operations, and manufacturing operations supplying essential items to Essential Businesses, Essential Governmental Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Critical Infrastructure employers should implement screening precautions to protect employees and all activity shall be performed in compliance with social distancing guidelines attached. For reference, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0, can be found here: <https://www.cisa.gov/publication/guidance-essential-critical-infrastructure-workforce>
- iv. **Stores that Sell Groceries and Other Essential Supplies.** Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, big-box stores, bodegas, liquor stores, convenience stores, and farmers' markets that sell food products and household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products. The sale of self-service food items is prohibited. Stores that sell groceries and other essential supplies shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.
- v. **Restaurants.** Restaurants with or without drive-in or drive-through services and microbreweries, micro-distilleries, or wineries may only provide take out, delivery, or drive-through services as allowed by law. In-person service is prohibited. Customers may order and pay inside, but are prohibited from waiting inside the restaurant for their food. All food must be brought outside to customers. To allow for increased access to restaurants, this Order hereby suspends all laws and regulations prohibiting people from walking in a drive-through.
- vi. **Food Cultivation.** Food cultivation, including farming, fishing, and livestock.
- vii. **Delivery of Groceries and Essential Supplies.** Businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, hygiene products, and essential supplies directly to residences or essential businesses.
- viii. **Transportation.** Operation, maintenance, and repair of airlines, taxis, and other private transportation providers (such as Uber and Lyft) that provide transportation services necessary for the performance of essential activities and essential travel.
- ix. **Gas Stations and Businesses Needed for Transportation.** Gas stations, auto-supply stores, auto-repair, and bicycle repair. Auto-dealerships, for in-person mechanical services or to complete an online transaction on an appointment basis only. Gas stations and convenience stores are prohibited



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from selling self-service food items. Gas stations and businesses needed for transportation shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.

- x. **Critical Trades.** Plumbers, electricians, exterminators, janitors, lawn care services, pool cleaners, maintenance and security, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operations of residences, Essential Businesses, Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Critical Trade does not include discretionary maintenance or improvements. Union representatives and their staff for the purpose of performing critical labor union functions, including the maintenance of health and welfare funds and checking on the well-being and safety of members.

Construction. Construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited. Protecting construction worker from the spread of COVID19 is extremely important for their safety and for public health, all construction sites must follow the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition, including, but not limited to, the Rules for Construction Industry set out in Exhibit B. Failure to strictly comply with this Order can result in penalties described below. Additionally, the general contractor and non-compliant subcontractor can be removed from the essential business list.

- xi. **Professional Services.** Professional services, such as legal or accounting services, when necessary to assist in compliance with legally mandated activities or services necessary to avoid imminent harm to a client. Real estate and inspection services, but only for the purpose of title work and closing; in-person open houses and showings are prohibited.
- xii. **Financial Institutions.** Banks and related depository financial institutions, credit unions, insurance companies, title companies, payroll and accounting services. Non-depository institutions (such as payday lenders) are prohibited.
- xiii. **Information Technology Services/Telecommunications Services.** IT and IT services and their essential service vendors, including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and web-based services, and critical manufacturing, as well as telecommunications services, internet access and broadband/communications services.
- xiv. **Essential Retail.** Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers., hardware stores, and related facilities. Firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security. Hardware stores and business that sell electrical, plumbing, and other materials necessary to support Essential Businesses, and Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Essential retail establishments shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.



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- xv. **Hotels and Motels.** Hotels and motels, to the extent used for lodging or delivery or carry-out food services.
- xvi. **Providers of Basic Necessities to Economically Disadvantaged Populations.** Businesses or organizations that provide food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals.
- xvii. **Essential Services Necessary to Maintain Essential Operations of Residences or Other Essential Businesses.** . Businesses or services that supply other Essential Businesses, Essential Government Services, and Critical Infrastructure with the support or supplies needed to operate; including but not limited to mail, shipping and delivery services, warehouse/distribution and fulfillment, storage, moving services, janitorial services, laundry services, computer, audio or video electronics, sanitary equipment, and medical equipment.. To the extent possible, services shall be provided in compliance with Social Distancing Rules attached, including distancing of six feet and routine use of hand sanitizer.
- xviii. **Supplies to Work From Home.** Businesses that supply products needed for people to work from home.
- xix. **Public and Private Education.** Public and private educational institutions, only for the purposes of facilitating distance learning or performing essential functions, provided compliance with the Social Distancing Rules is maintained
- xx. **News Media.** Newspapers, television, radio, and other media services.
- xxi. **Childcare Services.** Childcare facilities providing services or community service providers offering childcare services under the following mandatory conditions:
 - 1. Childcare services shall only be provided to employees of Essential Businesses;
 - 2. Childcare must be carried out in stable groups of 12 or fewer ("stable" means that the same 12 or fewer children are in the same group each day);
 - 3. Children shall not change from one group to another;
 - 4. If more than one group of children is cared for at one facility, each group shall be in a separate room. Groups shall not mix with each other;
 - 5. Childcare providers shall remain solely with one group of children.
- xxii. **Animal Care Services.** Animal shelters, veterinary care, and pet food and supply stores. Grooming, if necessary for the health and wellbeing of the animal. Pet daycare, but only for employees of Essential Businesses. To the greatest extent possible, all services must be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet. Pet food and supply stores shall comply with the Rules for Essential Retail Establishments set out in Exhibit A.



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- xxiii. **Religious and Worship Services.** Religious and worship services may only be provided by audio, video, and teleconference. Religious institutions must limit in-person staff to ten (10) people or less at one time, and twenty-five (25) people total per day, when preparing for or conducting video or teleconference services, and all individuals must follow the Social Distancing Rules including the six feet social distancing.
- xxiv. **Funeral Services.** Funeral, mortuary, cremation, burial, cemetery, and related services, provided that social distancing of six feet per person is maintained to the greatest extent possible.
- c. For purposes of this Order, **Minimum Basic Operations** means the following, provided that employees comply with the Social Distancing Rules:
 - i. The minimum necessary activities to maintain the value of the business's inventory, ensure security, process payroll and employee benefits, or for related functions.
 - ii. The minimum necessary activities to facilitate employees of the business being able to continue to work remotely from their residences.
- 3. The Dallas County Sheriff's Office, the Dallas County Fire Marshal's Office, and other peace officers, are hereby authorized to enforce this Order. A violation of this order may be punishable through criminal or civil enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days.
- 4. Any manufacturer who retools their business for the purpose of manufacturing and producing ventilators, masks, personal protective equipment, or any supply necessary for Essential Healthcare Operations may apply for an "essential business" exemption under this Order. Submit requests for an exemption to BusinessCOVID19@dallascounty.org.
- 5. All public, private, and commercial laboratories operating within Dallas County and performing COVID-19 testing shall report by 5:00 p.m. each day for the prior 24-hour period:
 - a. The number of COVID-19 tests performed; and
 - b. The number of positive COVID-19 tests.

Reports shall be made to Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins at Clay.Jenkins@dallascounty.org and Dallas County Health and Human Services Director Dr. Philip Huang at Philip.Huang@dallascounty.org. Reporting laboratories shall not provide names or any other identifiable health information that could be used to identify an individual patient.

- 6. Under this Order, no person shall sell any of the following goods or services for more than the regular retail price the person charged for the goods or services on March 16, 2020, except where an increased retail price is the result of increased supplier or other costs (including the loss of supplier supporting funds):
 - a. groceries, beverages, toilet articles, and ice;
 - b. restaurant, cafeteria, and boarding-house meals; and
 - c. medicine, pharmaceutical and medical equipment, and supplies.



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7. Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, hospitals, and medical facilities are experiencing high levels of demand for a large number of products, requiring more deliveries from manufacturers and distribution centers to serve their customers. A number of Texas cities and local associations have implemented restrictions on delivery hours to stores to mitigate truck noise and traffic. Due to the need to deliver products as quickly and efficiently as possible during this critical timeframe, this Order hereby suspends all delivery hour restrictions for transport to or from any entity involved in the selling or distribution of food products, medicine, or medical supplies in Dallas County for the next 60 days.
8. Due to increased demand for bath or toilet tissue resulting from stock up buying and individuals who purchase for resale, a mandatory limit on toilet paper sales is instituted until the supply chain meets the demand or two weeks, whichever comes first. All sales of bath or toilet tissue occurring in Dallas County are limited to the greater of: (a) twelve (12) rolls per purchase or (b) one (1) package per purchase.
9. Due to the public health emergency, the Office of the Dallas County Judge hereby advises the Dallas County Justices of the Peace to suspend eviction hearings and writs of possession for at least the next 60 days to prevent renters from being displaced.
10. If someone in a household has tested positive for coronavirus, the household is ordered to isolate at home. Members of the household cannot go to work, school, or any other community function, except for workers included in Essential Healthcare Operations who may continue to work in accordance with CDC guidance.
11. Nursing homes, retirement, and long-term care facilities are instructed by this Order to prohibit non-essential visitors from accessing their facilities unless to provide critical assistance or for end-of-life visitation.
12. Public and private schools and institutions of higher education are instructed by this Order to provide a safety plan to Dallas County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management 72 hours before students return to a classroom setting.
13. Additionally, the Office of the Dallas County Judge and the Health Authority instructs all employees to remain at home if sick. Employees of private businesses and nonprofits with six (6) or more employees in the City of Dallas can use their paid sick leave when they are sick or to care for sick family members.
14. This Order shall be in effect until 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020, or until it is either rescinded, superseded, or amended pursuant to applicable law.
15. The County of Dallas must promptly provide copies of this Order by posting on the Dallas County Health and Human Services website. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is strongly encouraged to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED
CLAY JENKINS
DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE



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EXHIBIT A

Rules for Essential Retailers

This document provides guidance for persons and business associated with essential retail on the meaning and application of Order issued by Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins on March 31, 2020 (the "Order").

Reason for Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus and protective measures to be taken in all establishments.

Definition of Essential Retailers.

1. Stores that Sell Groceries and Other Essential Supplies. Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, big-box stores, bodegas, liquor stores, convenience stores, and farmers' markets that sell food products and household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products.
2. Gas Stations and Businesses Needed for Transportation. Gas stations, auto-supply stores, auto-repair, and bicycle repair. Auto-dealerships, for in-person mechanical services or to complete an online transaction on an appointment basis only.
3. Other Essential Retailers. Pet food and supply stores. Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers, hardware stores, and related facilities. Firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security. Hardware stores and business that sell electrical, plumbing, and other materials necessary to support Essential Businesses, and Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure.

Safety Rules for All Essential Retailers. All employers involved in essential retail activity must follow the requirements set forth in the rules below:

1. All workers must take their temperature at their residence before going to an Essential Retailer. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to an essential retailer or other place of business, and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible and as equipment becomes available, an Essential Retailer must implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
3. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
4. Workers must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
5. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
6. Employers must provide soap and water, or hand sanitizer if no soap or water is available, in the workplace, including all restrooms and food preparation areas. Ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;



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7. Workers must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, before any food preparation, before and after the use of shared items, after any meal or restroom breaks, and immediately prior to the end of the work shift.
8. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines;
9. There shall be no adverse action taken against a worker who has, due to possible exposure to coronavirus, (1) been quarantined or advised to self-quarantine; (2) have not reported to work because the worker has a temperature of 99.6 degrees or higher; and (3) requested to use paid sick leave under the employer's policy; and
10. Employers must designate both a member of management as the COVID-19 Safety Monitor and a senior hourly worker (that is not a member of management) as the COVID-19 Vice Safety Monitor on each store to have the authority to work together to enforce these rules. Employers in unionized workplaces should consult with the employee's representatives on this designation.

General Rules for Essential Retailers.

1. Employers shall implement an organized line system where workers, customers, and other persons are not less than six feet apart at all times;
2. To the greatest extent practicable, designate shopping times for at risk populations (seniors, pregnant people, and people with underlying health conditions);
3. To the greatest extent possible, implement a system to restrict the number of customers who are physically present at an Essential Retailer so that six foot spacing may be maintained;
4. Employers shall implement purchase limits on high-demand items (toilet paper, soap, hand sanitizer);
5. To the greatest extent possible, employers shall offer pick up services or delivery services of grocery items and other essential supplies; and
6. Self-service food stations are prohibited. Self-service stations are defined as items that customers use common serving utensils to serve themselves, including but not limited to, salad bars, hot dog stands, self-service bulk food items, and other related food items. This section does not apply to self-checkout stations, so long as the checkout stations are cleaned at least every 30 minutes.

Enforcement. Failure to strictly comply with this Order can result in penalties described below. Additionally, any essential retailer who fails to comply with these rules can be removed from the essential business list.



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EXHIBIT B

Rules for the Construction Industry

This document provides guidance for persons and business associated with the building and construction industries and trades on the meaning and application of Order issued by Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins on March 29, 2020 (the "Order").

Reason for Construction Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Construction as Critical Infrastructure. The Order classified construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools as critical infrastructure. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited.

Requirements for Construction. All employers involved in construction activity must follow the requirements set forth in the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition, including the rules below:

1. All workers and contractors (hereafter referred to as "workers") must take their temperature at their residence. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. To the greatest extent possible, implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker or contractor has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
3. To the greatest extent possible, shift work must be implemented such that each shift shall have no more than fifty percent (50%) of the workers who were on shift on March 16, 2020. Once assigned to a shift, workers shall not change from one shift to another;
4. To the greatest extent possible, limit crossover of subcontractors;
5. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
6. Workers must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
7. Workers must not use a common water cooler. Employers shall provide individual water bottles or instruct workers to bring their own;
8. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
9. Employers must provide soap and water and hand sanitizer in the workplace, including all restrooms. Ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
10. If running water is available at the site, workers must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, when they remove gloves, and before and after the use of shared items such as tools or multi-user devices, before and after any meal or restroom breaks, and when their shift or work time ends.
11. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines;



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12. Employers must provide one (1) working flushing toilet for every fifteen (15) workers on site or one (1) outdoor portable toilet for every 10 workers on site;
13. There shall be no adverse action taken against an employee who has been quarantined, or advised to self-quarantine, due to possible exposure to coronavirus; and
14. Employers must designate a COVID-19 safety monitor on each site who has the authority to enforce these rules;

Enforcement. Failure to strictly comply with this Order can result in penalties described below. Additionally, the general contractor and non-compliant subcontractor can be removed from the essential business list.



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DCHHS Social Distancing Rules

1) Vulnerable Populations: Limit Outings

- Vulnerable populations include people who are:
 - 60 years old and older.
 - People with certain health conditions such as heart disease, lung disease, diabetes, kidney disease and weakened immune systems.
- For vulnerable populations, don't go to gatherings unless it is essential. Stay home. Avoid people who are sick.

2) Workplace and Businesses: Minimize Exposure

- Suspend nonessential employee travel.
- Ensure employees practice social distancing and do not work within six feet of one another.
- Urge essential employees to stay home when they are sick and maximize flexibility in sick leave benefits.
- Do not require a doctor's note for employees who are sick.
- Maximize telecommuting options.
- Persons who need to be at work to provide essential services of great benefit to the community must take steps in their workplace to minimize risk.

3) Cancel Non-essential Events

- Cancel non-essential events.
- Do not attend any events or gatherings if sick.
- For events that aren't cancelled, we recommend:
 - Having hand washing capabilities, hand sanitizers and tissues available.
 - Frequently cleaning high touch surface areas like counter tops and hand rails.
 - Finding ways to implement social distancing..

4) Schools: Safety First

- Do not have your child attend school if sick.
- If you have a child with chronic health conditions, consult the child's doctor about school attendance.
- Schools should equip all classrooms with hand sanitizers and tissues.
- Recommend rescheduling or cancelling events that are not essential.
- Explore remote teaching and online options to continue learning.
- Schools should develop a plan for citywide school closures, and families should prepare for further closures.

5) Transit: Cleaning and Protection

- Increase cleaning of vehicles and high touch surface areas.
- Provide hand washing/hand sanitizers and tissues in stations and on vehicles.
- Ensure social distancing practices are implemented to the full extent possible.



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6) Health Care Settings: Avoid as possible, protect the vulnerable

- Long-term care facilities should have a COVID-19 plan in accordance with CDC or state guidelines.
- Long-term care facilities should restrict all visitation except for certain compassionate care situations, such as end of life situations.
- The general public should avoid going to medical settings such as hospitals, nursing homes and long-term care facilities, even if you are not ill.
- If you are ill, call your health care provider ahead of time, and you may be able to be served by phone.
- Do not visit emergency rooms unless it is essential.
- Follow guidance and directions of all facilities.

7) Everyone: Do your part

The best way for all Dallas County residents to reduce their risk of getting sick, as with seasonal colds or the flu, still applies to prevent COVID-19:

- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Cough or sneeze into your elbow or a tissue. Throw the tissue in the trash.
- Stay home if you are sick.
- Avoid touching your face.
- Try alternatives to shaking hands, like an elbow bump or wave.
- If you have recently returned from a country, state or region with ongoing COVID-19 infections, monitor your health and follow the instructions of public health officials and CDC guidance.
- There is no recommendation to wear masks at this time to prevent yourself from getting sick.

You can also prepare for the disruption caused by an outbreak. Preparedness actions include:

- Prepare to work from home if that is possible for your job, and your employer.
- Make sure you have a supply of all essential medications for your family.
- Prepare a child care plan if you or a caregiver are sick.
- Make arrangements about how your family will manage school closures.
- Plan for how you can care for a sick family member without getting sick yourself.
- Take care of each other and check in by phone with friends, family and neighbors that are vulnerable to serious illness or death if they get COVID-19.
- Keep common spaces clean to help maintain a healthy environment for you and others. Frequently touched surfaces should be cleaned regularly with disinfecting sprays, wipes or common household cleaning products.



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Rules for the Construction Industry

Frequently Asked Question

What are these rules based on?

These rules are based on the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the job site, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

What are “elective construction and maintenance”?

Elective construction and maintenance refers to any new construction, including but not limited to, additions, alterations, conversions, expansions, reconstruction, renovations, rehabilitations, and replacements, that is primarily intended to increase the value or aesthetics of a residence or business. Construction or maintenance needed for the safety or continued use of a residence or business is not considered elective under this Order.

I started a remodeling project for my home or business before the Order was issued. Do I need to stop?

We recognize that incomplete construction projects can pose a safety concern, so only “new” construction is prohibited under the Order. New construction is any “elective construction or maintenance” project that would begin on or after 12:01 AM on March 30, 2020.

Do I need to reduce my staff by 50 percent?

All contractors must make an effort to implement shift work on their site. Additionally, construction sites may only have as many workers as the space allows to maintain a 6 foot distance between workers. This analysis will be different for different construction sites based on space and type of work done. If a complaint is filed against a contractor or site, Dallas County will require proof that the contractor made efforts to implement shift work and what steps were taken by the contractor to do so.

NOTE: This original Exhibit B has been replaced.

SEE AMENDMENT No. 11 to EXHIBIT B (Page 039).

EXHIBIT B

To Ordinance No. 4773

AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS
Stay-Home-Stay-Safe, dated March 29, 2020

AND

March 29 North Texas Order: Summary of Changes

AND

Stay Home Stay Safe Rules for the Construction Industry



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AMENDED ORDER OF COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS

Stay Home Stay Safe

DATE AMENDED ORDER ISSUED: March 29, 2020

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108, Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins issued a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency on March 12, 2020, due to a novel coronavirus now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19,;

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Judge Jenkins issued an Order in furtherance of his authority to protect the safety and welfare of the public by slowing the spread of the virus,;

WHEREAS, the on-going evaluation of circumstances related to the virus and the updated recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and the Texas Department of State Health Services warrant the March 12, 2020 Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins be amended;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump acknowledged the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic, releasing strict new guidelines to limit people's interactions, including that Americans should avoid groups of more than 10 people; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Dallas County Commissioners Court issued an Order of Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Dallas County Emergency Management Plan and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster until 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020, unless rescinded by order of the Commissioners Court.

THEREFORE, the March 12, 2020, Order of County Judge Clay Jenkins is hereby AMENDED as follows:

Summary: The virus that causes 2019 Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) is easily transmitted through person to person contact, especially in group settings, and it is essential that the spread of the virus be slowed to protect the ability of public and private health care providers to handle the influx of new patients and safeguard public health and safety. Because of the risk of the rapid spread of the virus, and the need to protect the most vulnerable members of the community, this Order requires all individuals anywhere in Dallas County to shelter in place – that is, stay at home – except for certain essential activities and work to provide essential business and government services or perform essential public infrastructure construction, including housing. This Order takes effect at 11:59 p.m. on March 29, 2020 and will continue through 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020, subject to the limited exceptions and under the terms and conditions more particularly set forth below.

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 418.108, DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE CLAY JENKINS ORDERS:

1. Effective as of 11:59 p.m. on March 29, 2020, and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020:



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- (a) All individuals currently living within Dallas County are ordered to shelter at their place of residence. For the purposes of this Order, residences include hotels, motels, shared rentals, and similar facilities. To the extent individuals are using shared or outdoor spaces, they must at all times as reasonably as possible maintain social distancing of at least six feet from any other person when they are outside their residence. All persons may leave their residences only for Essential Activities, or to provide or perform Essential Governmental Functions, or to operate Essential Businesses, all as defined in Section 2.
- (b) All businesses operating within Dallas County, except Essential Businesses as defined in below in Section 2, are required to cease all activities at facilities located within the County except Minimum Basic Operations as defined in Section 2. For clarity, businesses may continue operations consisting exclusively of employees or contractors performing activities at their own residences (i.e. working from home). To the greatest extent possible, all Essential Businesses shall comply with the Social Distancing Rules attached, including maintaining six feet social distancing for both employees and the general public.
- (c) All public or private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit are prohibited, except as otherwise provided herein. Nothing in this Order prohibits the gathering of members of a household or living unit.
- (d) All elective medical, surgical, and dental procedures are prohibited anywhere in Dallas County. Hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers, dental offices, and other medical facilities are directed to identify procedures that are deemed "elective" by assessing which procedures can be postponed or cancelled based on patient risk considering the emergency need for redirection of resources to COVID-19 response.

2. Definitions:

- a. For purposes of this Order, individuals may leave their residence only to perform any of the following "**Essential Activities**":
 - i. To engage in activities or perform tasks essential to their health and safety, or to the health and safety of their family or household members (for example, obtaining medical supplies or medication, visiting a health care professional, or obtaining supplies need to work from home).
 - ii. To obtain necessary services or supplies for themselves and their family or household members, or to deliver those services or supplies to others (for example, food, pet supply, and any other household consumer products, and products necessary to maintain the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences).
 - iii. To engage in outdoor activity, provided the individuals comply with social distancing requirements of six feet (for example, walking, biking, hiking, running, golfing, and tennis).
 - iv. To perform work providing essential products and services at an Essential Business or to otherwise carry out activities specifically permitted in this Order.



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- v. To care for a family member or pet in another household.
 - vi. To move to another residence either in or outside Dallas County.
 - vii. To engage in “**Essential Travel**,” which includes travel for any of the following purposes: (1) travel related to the provision of or access to Essential Activities, Essential Governmental Functions, Essential Businesses Essential Critical Infrastructure, and Minimum Basic Operation; (2) travel to care for elderly, minors, dependents, persons with disabilities, or other vulnerable persons; (3) travel to or from educational institutions for purposes of receiving materials for distance learning, for receiving meals, and any other related services; (4) travel to return to a place of residence from outside the jurisdiction; (5) travel required by law enforcement or court order; (6) travel by church staff or clergy for the purpose of production of remote delivery of religious services and other ministries requiring travel; (7) travel related to attending a funeral service; or (8) travel required for non-residents to return to their place of residence outside the County.
- b. For purposes of this Order, “**Essential Businesses**” means:
- i. **Essential Healthcare Operations.** Healthcare Operations includes but is not limited to hospitals, clinics, dentists, chiropractors, physical therapy, optometry offices, pharmacies, pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, other healthcare facilities, healthcare suppliers, mental health providers, substance abuse service providers, blood banks, medical research, laboratory services, or any related and/or ancillary healthcare services. Home-based and residential-based care for seniors, adults, or children are also considered healthcare operations. Healthcare operations also includes veterinary care and all health and welfare services provided to animals. This exemption shall be viewed broadly to avoid any impacts to the delivery of healthcare. Healthcare operations do not include fitness and exercise gyms, personal training, gymnastics studios, and similar facilities. Healthcare operations do not include elective medical, surgical, and dental procedures as established in accordance with Subsection 1(f) of this Order.
 - ii. **Essential Governmental Functions.** All services provided by local governments needed to ensure the continuing operation of the government agencies to provide for the health, safety and welfare of the public. Each governmental body will determine its Essential Governmental Functions and identify the employees and/or contractors necessary to the performance of those functions. Further, nothing in this order shall prohibit any individual from performing or accessing “Essential Governmental Functions.” All Essential Governmental Functions shall be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet, to the extent possible. This Order does not apply to Federal or State Government.
 - iii. **Essential Critical Infrastructure.** All public and private facilities and assets, including both physical and cyber systems, and other functions and sectors vital to the security, governance, and public health, safety of Dallas County. Critical infrastructure includes, but is not limited to, utilities such as electricity, gas, water and wastewater, roads and highways, public



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transportation, solid waste and recycle collection and removal, oil refining, roads and highways, public transportation, defense and national security-related operations, and manufacturing operations supplying essential items to Essential Businesses, Essential Governmental Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Critical Infrastructure employers should implement screening precautions to protect employees and all activity shall be performed in compliance with social distancing guidelines attached. For reference, the CISA 16 critical infrastructure sectors can be found here: <https://www.cisa.gov/critical-infrastructure-sectors>.

- iv. **Stores that Sell Groceries and Other Essential Supplies.** Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, big-box stores, bodegas, liquor stores, convenience stores, and farmers' markets that sell food products and household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products. The sale of self-service food items is prohibited. To the greatest extent possible, essential retail establishments shall follow the guidelines below:
 - 1. Designate shopping times for at risk populations (seniors, pregnant people, and people with underlying health conditions);
 - 2. Limit the amount of people in a store at once so that social distancing is possible;
 - 3. Implement an organized line system where people are spaced at least a few feet apart (ideally 6 feet);
 - 4. Implement purchase limits on high-demand items (toilet paper, soap, hand sanitizer);
 - 5. Offer pick up or deliveries of grocery items.
- v. **Restaurants.** Restaurants with or without drive-in or drive-through services and microbreweries, micro-distilleries, or wineries may only provide take out, delivery, or drive-through services as allowed by law. In-person service is prohibited. Customers may order and pay inside, but are prohibited from waiting inside the restaurant for their food. All food must be brought outside to customers. To allow for increased access to restaurants, this Order hereby suspends all laws and regulations prohibiting people from walking in a drive-through.
- vi. **Food Cultivation.** Food cultivation, including farming, fishing, and livestock.
- vii. **Delivery of Groceries and Essential Supplies.** Businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, hygiene products, and essential supplies directly to residences or essential businesses.
- viii. **Transportation.** Operation, maintenance, and repair of airlines, taxis, and other private transportation providers (such as Uber and Lyft) that provide transportation services necessary for the performance of essential activities and essential travel.



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- ix. **Gas Stations and Businesses Needed for Transportation.** Gas stations, auto-supply stores, auto-repair, and bicycle repair. Auto-dealerships, for in-person mechanical services or to complete an online transaction on an appointment basis only. Gas stations and convenience stores are prohibited from selling self-service food items.
- x. **Critical Trades.** Plumbers, electricians, exterminators, janitors, lawn care services, pool cleaners, maintenance and security, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operations of residences, Essential Businesses, Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. Critical Trade does not include discretionary maintenance or improvements. Union representatives and their staff, if they represent employees of an Essential Business, Essential Government Functions, or Critical Infrastructure.
- xi. **Construction.** Construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited. Protecting construction worker from the spread of COVID19 is extremely important for their safety and for public health, all construction sites must follow the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition, including, but not limited to, the following:
 - 1. All workers and contractors (hereafter referred to as “workers”) must take their temperature at their residence. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
 - 2. To the greatest extent possible, implement a system whereby supervisors must check the temperature of all workers and contractors with a forehead thermometer before the worker begins work. If a worker or contractor has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
 - 3. Shift work must be implemented such that each shift shall have no more than fifty percent (50%) of the workers who were on shift on March 16, 2020. Once assigned to a shift, workers shall not change from one shift to another;
 - 4. To the greatest extent possible, limit crossover of subcontractors;
 - 5. Gatherings during meals or breaks are prohibited;
 - 6. Workers must keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
 - 7. Workers must not use a common water cooler. Employers shall provide individual water bottles or instruct workers to bring their own;
 - 8. Employers must allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;



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9. Employers must provide soap and water and hand sanitizer in the workplace, including all restrooms. Ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
10. If running water is available at the site, workers must wash their hands for at least twenty (20) seconds before beginning work, when they remove gloves, and before and after the use of shared items such as tools or multi-user devices, before and after any meal or restroom breaks, and when their shift or work time ends.
11. Rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked must be provided so workers may follow hygiene guidelines;
12. Employers must provide one (1) working flushing toilet for every fifteen (15) workers on site or one (1) outdoor portable toilet for every 10 workers on site;
13. There shall be no adverse action taken against an employee who has been quarantined, or advised to self-quarantine, due to possible exposure to coronavirus; and
14. Employers must designate a COVID-19 safety monitor on each site who has the authority to enforce these rules;

Failure to strictly comply with this Order can result in penalties described below. Additionally, the general contractor and non-compliant subcontractor can be removed from the essential business list.

- xii. **Professional Services.** Professional services, such as legal or accounting services, when necessary to assist in compliance with legally mandated activities or services necessary to avoid imminent harm to a client. Real estate and inspection services, but only for the purpose of title work and closing; in-person open houses and showings are prohibited.
- xiii. **Financial Institutions.** Banks and related depository financial institutions, credit unions, insurance companies, title companies, payroll and accounting services. Non-depository institutions (such as payday lenders) are prohibited.
- xiv. **Information Technology Services/Telecommunications Services.** IT and IT services and their essential service vendors, including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and web-based services, and critical manufacturing, as well as telecommunications services, internet access and broadband/communications services.
- xv. **Essential Retail.** Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers., hardware stores, and related facilities. Firearm and ammunition suppliers and retailers for purposes of safety and security. Hardware stores and business that sell electrical, plumbing, and other materials necessary to support Essential Businesses, and Essential Government Functions, and Critical Infrastructure. To the greatest extent possible, essential retail establishments shall follow the guidelines below:



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1. Designate shopping times for at risk populations (seniors, pregnant people, and people with underlying health conditions);
 2. Limit the amount of people in a store at once so that social distancing is possible; and
 3. Implement an organized line system where people are spaced at least a few feet apart (ideally 6 feet).
- xvi. **Hotels and Motels.** Hotels and motels, to the extent used for lodging or delivery or carry-out food services.
- xvii. **Providers of Basic Necessities to Economically Disadvantaged Populations.** Businesses or organizations that provide food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals.
- xviii. **Essential Services Necessary to Maintain Essential Operations of Residences or Other Essential Businesses.** . Businesses or services that supply other Essential Businesses, Essential Government Services, and Critical Infrastructure with the support or supplies needed to operate; including but not limited to mail, shipping and delivery services, warehouse/distribution and fulfillment, storage, moving services, janitorial services, laundry services, computer, audio or video electronics, sanitary equipment, and medical equipment.. To the extent possible, services shall be provided in compliance with Social Distancing Rules attached, including distancing of six feet and routine use of hand sanitizer.
- xix. **Supplies to Work From Home.** Businesses that supply products needed for people to work from home.
- xx. **Public and Private Education.** Public and private educational institutions, only for the purposes of facilitating distance learning or performing essential functions, provided compliance with the Social Distancing Rules is maintained
- xxi. **News Media.** Newspapers, television, radio, and other media services.
- xxii. **Childcare Services.** Childcare facilities providing services or community service providers offering childcare services that enable employees exempted in this Order may operate under the following mandatory conditions:
1. Childcare must be carried out in stable groups of 12 or fewer ("stable" means that the same 12 or fewer children are in the same group each day).
 2. Children shall not change from one group to another.
 3. If more than one group of children is cared for at one facility, each group shall be in a separate room. Groups shall not mix with each other.
 4. Childcare providers shall remain solely with one group of children.
- xxiii. **Animal Care Services.** Animal shelters, veterinary care, and pet food and supply stores. Grooming, if necessary for the health and wellbeing of the animal. Pet daycare, but only for employees of Essential Businesses. To the



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greatest extent possible, all services must be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet.

- xxiv. **Religious and Worship Services.** Religious and worship services may only be provided by audio, video, and teleconference. Religious institutions must limit in-person staff to ten (10) people or less at one time, and twenty-five (25) people total per day, when preparing for or conducting video or teleconference services, and all individuals must follow the Social Distancing Rules including the six feet social distancing.
 - xxv. **Funeral Services.** Funeral, mortuary, cremation, burial, cemetery, and related services, provided that social distancing of six feet per person is maintained to the greatest extent possible.
- c. For purposes of this Order, **Minimum Basic Operations** means the following, provided that employees comply with the Social Distancing Rules:
 - i. The minimum necessary activities to maintain the value of the business's inventory, ensure security, process payroll and employee benefits, or for related functions.
 - ii. The minimum necessary activities to facilitate employees of the business being able to continue to work remotely from their residences.
 - 3. The Dallas County Sheriff's Office, the Dallas County Fire Marshal's Office, and other peace officers, are hereby authorized to enforce this Order. A violation of this order may be punishable through criminal or civil enforcement. A violation of this Order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days.
 - 4. Any manufacturer who retools their business for the purpose of manufacturing and producing ventilators, masks, personal protective equipment, or any supply necessary for Essential Healthcare Operations may apply for an "essential business" exemption under this Order. Submit requests for an exemption to BusinessCOVID19@dallascounty.org.
 - 5. Under this Order, no person shall sell any of the following goods or services for more than the regular retail price the person charged for the goods or services on March 16, 2020, except where an increased retail price is the result of increased supplier or other costs (including the loss of supplier supporting funds):
 - a. groceries, beverages, toilet articles, and ice;
 - b. restaurant, cafeteria, and boarding-house meals; and
 - c. medicine, pharmaceutical and medical equipment, and supplies.
 - 6. Grocery stores, supermarkets, warehouse stores, hospitals, and medical facilities are experiencing high levels of demand for a large number of products, requiring more deliveries from manufacturers and distribution centers to serve their customers. A number of Texas cities and local associations have implemented restrictions on delivery hours to stores to mitigate truck noise and traffic. Due to the need to deliver products as quickly and efficiently as possible during this critical timeframe, this Order hereby suspends all delivery hour restrictions for transport to or from any entity involved in the selling or distribution of food products, medicine, or medical supplies in Dallas County for the next 60 days.



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7. Due to increased demand for bath or toilet tissue resulting from stock up buying and individuals who purchase for resale, a mandatory limit on toilet paper sales is instituted until the supply chain meets the demand or two weeks, whichever comes first. All sales of bath or toilet tissue occurring in Dallas County are limited to the greater of: (a) twelve (12) rolls per purchase or (b) one (1) package per purchase.
8. Due to the public health emergency, the Office of the Dallas County Judge hereby advises the Dallas County Justices of the Peace to suspend eviction hearings and writs of possession for at least the next 60 days to prevent renters from being displaced.
9. If someone in a household has tested positive for coronavirus, the household is ordered to isolate at home. Members of the household cannot go to work, school, or any other community function, except for workers included in Essential Healthcare Operations who may continue to work in accordance with CDC guidance.
10. Nursing homes, retirement, and long-term care facilities are instructed by this Order to prohibit non-essential visitors from accessing their facilities unless to provide critical assistance or for end-of-life visitation.
11. Public and private schools and institutions of higher education are instructed by this Order to provide a safety plan to Dallas County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management 72 hours before students return to a classroom setting.
12. Additionally, the Office of the Dallas County Judge and the Health Authority instructs all employees to remain at home if sick. Employees of private businesses and nonprofits with six (6) or more employees in the City of Dallas can use their paid sick leave when they are sick or to care for sick family members.
13. This Order shall be in effect until 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020, or until it is either rescinded, superseded, or amended pursuant to applicable law.
14. The County of Dallas must promptly provide copies of this Order by posting on the Dallas County Health and Human Services website. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is strongly encouraged to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED

CLAY JENKINS
DALLAS COUNTY JUDGE



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DCHHS Social Distancing Rules

1) Vulnerable Populations: Limit Outings

- Vulnerable populations include people who are:
 - 60 years old and older.
 - People with certain health conditions such as heart disease, lung disease, diabetes, kidney disease and weakened immune systems.
- For vulnerable populations, don't go to gatherings unless it is essential. Stay home. Avoid people who are sick.

2) Workplace and Businesses: Minimize Exposure

- Suspend nonessential employee travel.
- Ensure employees practice social distancing and do not work within six feet of one another.
- Urge essential employees to stay home when they are sick and maximize flexibility in sick leave benefits.
- Do not require a doctor's note for employees who are sick.
- Maximize telecommuting options.
- Persons who need to be at work to provide essential services of great benefit to the community must take steps in their workplace to minimize risk.

3) Cancel Non-essential Events

- Cancel non-essential events.
- Do not attend any events or gatherings if sick.
- For events that aren't cancelled, we recommend:
 - Having hand washing capabilities, hand sanitizers and tissues available.
 - Frequently cleaning high touch surface areas like counter tops and hand rails.
 - Finding ways to implement social distancing..

4) Schools: Safety First

- Do not have your child attend school if sick.
- If you have a child with chronic health conditions, consult the child's doctor about school attendance.
- Schools should equip all classrooms with hand sanitizers and tissues.
- Recommend rescheduling or cancelling events that are not essential.
- Explore remote teaching and online options to continue learning.
- Schools should develop a plan for citywide school closures, and families should prepare for further closures.

5) Transit: Cleaning and Protection

- Increase cleaning of vehicles and high touch surface areas.
- Provide hand washing/hand sanitizers and tissues in stations and on vehicles.
- Ensure social distancing practices are implemented to the full extent possible.



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6) Health Care Settings: Avoid as possible, protect the vulnerable

- Long-term care facilities should have a COVID-19 plan in accordance with CDC or state guidelines.
- Long-term care facilities should restrict all visitation except for certain compassionate care situations, such as end of life situations.
- The general public should avoid going to medical settings such as hospitals, nursing homes and long-term care facilities, even if you are not ill.
- If you are ill, call your health care provider ahead of time, and you may be able to be served by phone.
- Do not visit emergency rooms unless it is essential.
- Follow guidance and directions of all facilities.

7) Everyone: Do your part

The best way for all Dallas County residents to reduce their risk of getting sick, as with seasonal colds or the flu, still applies to prevent COVID-19:

- Wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Cough or sneeze into your elbow or a tissue. Throw the tissue in the trash.
- Stay home if you are sick.
- Avoid touching your face.
- Try alternatives to shaking hands, like an elbow bump or wave.
- If you have recently returned from a country, state or region with ongoing COVID-19 infections, monitor your health and follow the instructions of public health officials and CDC guidance.
- There is no recommendation to wear masks at this time to prevent yourself from getting sick.

You can also prepare for the disruption caused by an outbreak. Preparedness actions include:

- Prepare to work from home if that is possible for your job, and your employer.
- Make sure you have a supply of all essential medications for your family.
- Prepare a child care plan if you or a caregiver are sick.
- Make arrangements about how your family will manage school closures.
- Plan for how you can care for a sick family member without getting sick yourself.
- Take care of each other and check in by phone with friends, family and neighbors that are vulnerable to serious illness or death if they get COVID-19.
- Keep common spaces clean to help maintain a healthy environment for you and others. Frequently touched surfaces should be cleaned regularly with disinfecting sprays, wipes or common household cleaning products.

March 29 North Texas Order: Summary of Changes

1. Added “Minimum Basic Operations” Language

- a. Allows non-essential businesses to do the following:
 - i. The minimum necessary activities to maintain the value of the business's inventory, ensure security, process payroll and employee benefits, or for related functions.
 - ii. The minimum necessary activities to facilitate employees of the business being able to continue to work remotely from their residences.

2. Added “Essential Travel” Language

- a. Includes travel for any of the following purposes:
 - i. Travel related to the provision of or access to Essential Activities, Essential Governmental Functions, Essential Businesses Essential Critical Infrastructure, and Minimum Basic Operation;
 - ii. Travel to care for elderly, minors, dependents, persons with disabilities, or other vulnerable persons;
 - iii. Travel to or from educational institutions for purposes of receiving materials for distance learning, for receiving meals, and any other related services;
 - iv. Travel to return to a place of residence from outside the jurisdiction;
 - v. Travel required by law enforcement or court order;
 - vi. Travel by church staff or clergy for the purpose of production of remote delivery of religious services and other ministries requiring travel;
 - vii. Travel related to attending a funeral service; or
 - viii. Travel required for non-residents to return to their place of residence outside the County.

3. Added Safety Provisions for Contractors

- a. The Order classified construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools as critical infrastructure. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited.

- b. All employers involved in construction activity must follow the requirements set forth in the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition.
- 4. **Added Prohibition on Price Gouging**
 - a. No person shall sell any of the following goods or services for more than the regular retail price the person charged for the goods or services on March 16, 2020:
 - i. groceries, beverages, toilet articles, and ice;
 - ii. restaurant, cafeteria, and boarding-house meals; and
 - iii. medicine, pharmaceutical and medical equipment, and supplies.
- 5. **Re-formatted the Order**



Stay Home Stay Safe

Rules for the Construction Industry

This document provides guidance for persons and business associated with the building and construction industries and trades on the meaning and application of Order issued by Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins on March 29, 2020 (the "Order").

Reason for Construction Rules. The purpose of these rules is to outline the steps that every employer and employee must take to reduce the risk of exposure to COVID-19. The rules describe how to prevent worker exposure to coronavirus, protective measures to be taken on the jobsite, and cleaning and disinfecting procedures.

Construction as Critical Infrastructure. The Order classified construction for public works, residential, commercial, and schools as critical infrastructure. Elective additions and maintenance are prohibited.

Requirements for Construction. All employers involved in construction activity must follow the requirements set forth in the COVID-19 Safety Recommendations issued by the Construction Industry Safety Coalition, including the rules below:

1. Mandatory temperature checks of all workers before they leave home. If a worker has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are prohibited from going to work and must remain at their residence;
2. Temperature checks of all workers with a forehead thermometer at the construction site before they may begin work. If an employee or contractor has a temperature above 99.6 degrees Fahrenheit, then they are to be sent home immediately;
3. Implement shift work;
4. Limit crossover of subcontractors;
5. Prohibit gatherings during meals or breaks;
6. Keep a 6 foot distance between people at all times, unless the work being performed requires multiple individuals for the safety of the workers;
7. Do not use a common water cooler. Provide individual water bottles or instruct workers to bring their own;



8. Allow non-essential personnel to work from home when possible;
9. Provide soap and water and hand sanitizer in the workplace, including all restrooms. Ensure that adequate supplies are maintained;
10. Mandatory handwashing of at least twenty (20) seconds for workers during the following:
 - a. Before workers begin work;
 - b. After workers remove gloves;
 - c. Before and after the use of shared items such as tools or multi-user devices;
 - d. Before and after any meal or restroom breaks; and
 - e. After a worker's shift or work time ends.
11. Mandatory rest breaks of at least fifteen (15) minutes for every four (4) hours worked so workers may follow hygiene guidelines;
12. Provide one (1) working flushing toilet for every fifteen (15) workers on site or one (1) outdoor portable toilet for every 10 workers on site;
13. No adverse action taken against an employee who has been quarantined, or advised to self-quarantine, due to possible exposure to coronavirus; and
14. Designate a COVID-19 safety monitor on each site who has the authority to enforce these rules.

Enforcement. Failure to strictly comply with this Order can result in penalties described below. Additionally, the general contractor and non-compliant subcontractor can be removed from the essential business list.

**AMENDMENT NO. 2
TO
EXHIBIT C**

To Ordinance No. 4773

***** This AMENDMENT No. 2 to EXHIBIT C supersedes (replaces) the following: *****

**Original EXHIBIT C
and
AMENDMENT No. 1 to EXHIBIT C**

**AMENDED DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER
FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY
Court Order # 042820-4
Kaufman County, Texas, dated April 28, 2020**



KAUFMAN COUNTY, TEXAS

COURT ORDER # 042820-4

**AMENDED DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER FOR
PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, beginning in December, 2019, a novel coronavirus, now designated COVID-19 was detected in mainland China, and has since spread throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a worldwide pandemic on March 11, 2020; and

WHEREAS, extraordinary measures must be taken to contain COVID-19 and prevent its spread throughout Kaufman County; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2020 Judge Hal Richards signed a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency; and

WHEREAS, §418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code provides that a local state of disaster may not be continued for a period of excess of seven days without the consent of the governing body of the political subdivision; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the Kaufman County Commissioners Court issued an Order Extending the Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Kaufman County Emergency Management Plan and extended the Declaration of Local Disaster until April 25, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Governor Abbott issued Executive Order GA-14 ("Shelter at Home") and Kaufman County found that the County's Declaration of Local Disaster should be extended until April 30, 2020 to reflect the duration of GA-14; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order GA-14 will expire on April 30, 2020 and Kaufman County intends and shall follow Governor Greg Abbot's Executive Orders as they are released; and


WHEREAS, the conditions necessitating declaration of a state of disaster continue to exist; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONER'S COURT of the County of Kaufman, Texas that the Order Extending the Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency be amended as follows:


Effective as of 11:59 p.m. on April 30th, 2020, and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on June 12th, 2020.

1. That a state of disaster is declared for Kaufman County, Texas pursuant to section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.
2. That the County's Emergency Management Plan has been implemented.
3. That this state of disaster shall continue from the original Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency and is in force until June 12th, 2020, unless the same is modified, amended, rescinded, or continued by consent of the Commissioners Court of the County of Kaufman, Texas.
4. A daily report, including all information received from: Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Kaufman concerning bed capacity, the DSHS PHR 2/3 and CDC, shall be compiled by the Kaufman County Office of Emergency Management and submitted to the County Judge's Office and to each Precinct Commissioner.
5. Kaufman County, Texas intends and shall follow Governor Greg Abbot's Executive Orders as they are released.
6. That this proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

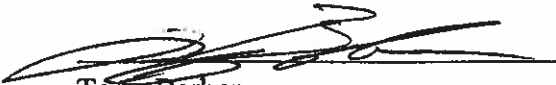
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Hal Richards,
COUNTY JUDGE



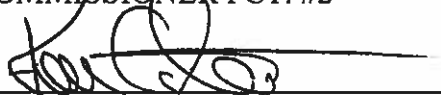
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ATTEST: 

County Clerk, Laura Hughes



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**AMENDMENT NO. 1
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**AMENDED DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER
FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY**

Court Order # 040720-7

Kaufman County, Texas, dated April 7, 2020



KAUFMAN COUNTY, TEXAS

COURT ORDER # 040720-7

**AMENDED DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER FOR
PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, beginning in December, 2019, a novel coronavirus, now designated COVID-19 was detected in mainland China, and has since spread throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a worldwide pandemic on March 11, 2020; and

WHEREAS, extraordinary measures must be taken to contain COVID-19 and prevent its spread throughout Kaufman County; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2020 Judge Hal Richards signed a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency; and

WHEREAS, the conditions necessitating declaration of a state of disaster continue to exist; and

WHEREAS, §418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code provides that a local state of disaster may not be continued for a period of excess of seven days without the consent of the governing body of the political subdivision; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the Kaufman County Commissioners Court issued an Order Extending the Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Kaufman County Emergency Management Plan and extended the Declaration of Local Disaster until April 25, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Kaufman County finds that there is a need to increase communication and notification regarding: COVID-19 testing results and hospital bed capacity; and

WHEREAS, Governor Abbot issued Executive Order GA-14 and Kaufman County finds that the County's Declaration of Local Disaster should be extended until April 30th, 2020 to reflect the duration of GA-14.


NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE COMMISSIONER'S COURT of the County of Kaufman, Texas that the Order Extending the Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency be amended as follows:

Effective as of 11:59 p.m. on April 7th, 2020, and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on April 30th, 2020.

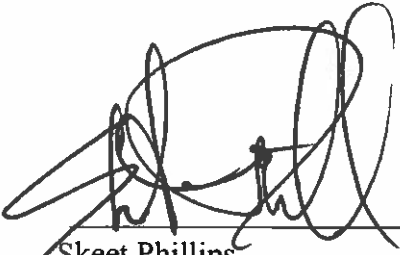
1. That a state of disaster is declared for Kaufman County, Texas pursuant to section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.
2. That the County's Emergency Management Plan has been implemented.
3. That this state of disaster shall continue from the original Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency and is in force until April 30, 2020, unless the same is modified, amended, rescinded, or continued by consent of the Commissioners Court of the County of Kaufman, Texas.
4. That this proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.
5. A daily report, including all information received from: Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Kaufman concerning bed capacity, the DSHS PHR 2/3 and CDC, shall be compiled by the Kaufman County Office of Emergency Management and submitted to the County Judge's Office and to each Precinct Commissioner.
6. Kaufman County, Texas intends and shall follow Governor Greg Abbot's Executive Order GA 14, which shall remain in effect and in full force until April 30, 2020, unless modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.
7. Per the Governor's Order, Executive Order GA 14, "Essential Services shall consist of everything listed by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0." GA 14 requires any other essential services seeking to be added to this list must seek approval with the Texas Department of Emergency Management (TDEM) by contacting TDEM at EssentialServices@tdem.texas.gov or by visiting www.tdem.texas.gov/essentialservices. Any waivers issued by Kaufman County are hereby expired and those businesses or services must seek approval with TDEM.


ORDERED this 7th day of April, 2020.



Hal Richards,
COUNTY JUDGE


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EXHIBIT C

To Ordinance No. 4773

SHELTER-IN-PLACE ORDER
OF THE COUNTY JUDGE OF KAUFMAN COUNTY, TEXAS,
dated March 24, 2020.



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LAURA A. HUGHES
COUNTY CLERK
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**SHELTER-IN-PLACE ORDER OF THE
COUNTY JUDGE OF
KAUFMAN COUNTY, TEXAS**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code Section, Hal Richards County Judge of Kaufman County, Texas issued a Declaration of State of Disaster and Public Health Emergency ("Declaration") on March 18, 2020, due to a novel Coronavirus now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, on March 24th, 2020, the Kaufman County Commissioners Court issued an Order Extending the Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Kaufman County Emergency Management Plan and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster until April 23rd, 2020, unless rescinded by order of the Commissioners Court; and,

WHEREAS, the on-going evaluation of circumstances related to the virus and the updated recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") and the Texas Department of State Health Services warrant additional action by the County; and,

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump acknowledged the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic, releasing strict new guidelines to limit people's interactions, including that Americans should avoid groups of more than 10 people; and,

WHEREAS, the virus that causes 2019 Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) is easily transmitted through person to person contact, especially in group settings, and it is essential that the spread of the virus be slowed to protect the ability of public and private health care providers to handle the influx of new patients and safeguard public health and safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF SECT. 418.108 OF THE TEXAS GOV'T CODE, KAUFMAN COUNTY JUDGE HAL RICHARDS, ORDERS THAT:

- 1. The State of Disaster and Public Health Emergency proclaimed for the Kaufman County, Texas by Judge Hal Richards on March 18, 2020 shall continue as directed by order of the Kaufman County Commissioners' Court.**
- 2. Effective as of 11:59 p.m. on March 25, 2020, and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on April 8, 2020:**
 - (a) All individuals currently living within the County of Kaufman, Texas are ordered to shelter at their place of residence. For the purposes of this Order, residences include hotels, motels, shared rentals, and similar facilities. To the extent individuals are using shared or outdoor spaces, they must at all times as reasonably as possible maintain social distancing of at least six feet from any other person when they are outside their residence. All persons may leave their residences only for Essential Activities, or to provide or perform Essential Governmental Functions, or to operate Essential Businesses, all as defined in Section B.
 - (b) All businesses operating within the County of Kaufman, except Essential Businesses as defined in below in Section B, are required to cease all activities at facilities located within the County. For clarity, businesses may continue operations consisting exclusively of employees or contractors performing activities at their own residences (i.e. working from home). To the greatest extent possible, all Essential Businesses shall comply with the Social Distancing Guidelines recommended by the CDC, including maintaining six-foot social distancing for both employees and the general public.
 - (c) All public or private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit are prohibited, except as otherwise provided herein. Nothing in this Order prohibits the gathering

of members of a household or living unit.

- (d) Restaurants with or without drive-in or drive-through services and microbreweries, micro- distilleries, or wineries may only provide take out, delivery, or drive-through services as allowed by law.
- (e) Religious and worship services may only be provided by video and teleconference. Religious institutions must limit in-person staff to ten (10) people or less when preparing for or conducting video or teleconference services, and all individuals must follow the Social Distancing Guidelines from the CDC including the six-foot social distancing.
- (f) All elective medical, surgical, and dental procedures are prohibited anywhere in the County of Kaufman. Hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers, dental offices, and other medical facilities are directed to identify procedures that are deemed "elective" by assessing which procedures can be postponed or cancelled based on patient risk considering the emergency need for redirection of resources to COVID-19 response.

3. Essential Activities

For purposes of this Order, individuals may leave their residence only to perform any of the following "Essential Activities":

- (a) To engage in activities or perform tasks essential to their health and safety, or to the health and safety of their family or household members (for example, obtaining medical supplies or medication, visiting a health care professional, or obtaining supplies needed to work from home).
- (b) To obtain necessary services or supplies for themselves and their family or household members, or to deliver those services or supplies to others (for example, food, pet supply, and any other household consumer products, and products necessary to maintain the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences.
- (c) To engage in outdoor activity, provided the individuals comply with

social distancing requirements of six feet (for example, walking, biking, hiking, or running).

(d) To perform work providing essential products and services at an Essential Business or to otherwise carry out activities specifically permitted in this Order.

(e) To care for a family member or pet in another household.

4. Essential Businesses

For purposes of this Order, "Essential Businesses" shall be those businesses in the below listed areas, any additional businesses or related determinations shall be made by the Office of Emergency Management in consultation with the County Judge. Requests for an exemption from this Order must be received in writing by the Kaufman County Office of Emergency Management Department.

(a) HEALTHCARE / PUBLIC HEALTH

- 1) Workers providing COVID-19 testing; Workers that perform critical clinical research needed for COVID-19 response
- 2) Caregivers (e.g., physicians, dentists, psychologists, mid-level practitioners, nurses and assistants, infection control and quality assurance personnel, pharmacists, physical and occupational therapists and assistants, social workers, speech pathologists and diagnostic and therapeutic technicians and technologists)
- 3) Hospital and laboratory personnel (including accounting, administrative, admitting and discharge, engineering, epidemiological, source plasma and blood donation, food service, housekeeping, medical records, information technology and operational technology, nutritionists, sanitarians, respiratory therapists, etc.)
- 4) Workers in other medical facilities (including Ambulatory Health and Surgical, Blood Banks, Clinics, Community Mental Health, Comprehensive Outpatient rehabilitation, End Stage Renal Disease, Health Departments, Home Health care, Hospices, Hospitals, Long Term Care, Organ Pharmacies, Procurement Organizations, Psychiatric

Residential, Rural Health Clinics and Federally Qualified Health Centers)

- 5) Manufacturers, technicians, logistics and warehouse operators, and distributors of medical equipment, personal protective equipment (PPE), medical gases, pharmaceuticals, blood and blood products, vaccines, testing materials, laboratory supplies, cleaning, sanitizing, disinfecting or sterilization supplies, and tissue and paper towel products
- 6) Public health / community health workers, including those who compile, model, analyze and communicate public health information
- 7) Blood and plasma donors and the employees of the organizations that operate and manage related activities
- 8) Workers that manage health plans, billing, and health information, who cannot practically work remotely
- 9) Workers who conduct community-based public health functions, conducting epidemiologic surveillance, compiling, analyzing and communicating public health information, who cannot practically work remotely
- 10) Workers performing cyber security functions at healthcare and public health facilities, who cannot practically work remotely
- 11) Workers conducting research critical to COVID-19 response
- 12) Workers performing security, incident management, and emergency operations functions at or on behalf of healthcare entities including healthcare coalitions, who cannot practically work remotely
- 13) Workers who support food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals, such as those residing in shelters
- 14) Pharmacy employees necessary for filling prescriptions
- 15) Workers performing mortuary services, including funeral homes, crematoriums, and cemetery workers
- 16) Workers who coordinate with other organizations to ensure the proper recovery, handling, identification, transportation, tracking, storage, and disposal of human remains and personal effects; certify cause of death;

and facilitate access to mental/behavioral health services to the family members, responders, and survivors of an incident.

(b) LAW ENFORCEMENT, PUBLIC SAFETY, FIRST RESPONDERS

- 1) Personnel in emergency management, law enforcement, Emergency Management Systems, fire, and corrections, including front line and management
- 2) Emergency Medical Technicians
- 3) 911 call center employees
- 4) Fusion Center employees
- 5) Hazardous material responders from government and the private sector.
- 6) Workers – including contracted vendors -- who maintain digital systems infrastructure supporting law enforcement and emergency service operations.
- 7) Food and Agriculture
- 8) Workers supporting groceries, pharmacies and other retail that sells food and beverage products
- 9) Restaurant carry-out and quick serve food operations - Carry-out and delivery food employees
- 10) Food manufacturer employees and their supplier employees—to include those employed in food processing (packers, meat processing, cheese plants, milk plants, produce, etc.) facilities; livestock, poultry, seafood slaughter facilities; pet and animal feed processing facilities; human food facilities producing by-products for animal food; beverage production facilities; and the production of food packaging
- 11) Farm workers to include those employed in animal food, feed, and ingredient production, packaging, and distribution; manufacturing, packaging, and distribution of veterinary drugs; truck delivery and transport; farm and fishery labor needed to produce our food supply domestically
- 12) Farm workers and support service workers to include those who field crops; commodity inspection; fuel ethanol facilities; storage facilities; and other agricultural inputs

- 13) Employees and firms supporting food, feed, and beverage distribution, including warehouse workers, vendor- managed inventory controllers and blockchain managers
- 14) Workers supporting the sanitation of all food manufacturing processes and operations from wholesale to retail
- 15) Company cafeterias - in-plant cafeterias used to feed employees
- 16) Workers in food testing labs in private industries and in institutions of higher education
- 17) Workers essential for assistance programs and government payments
- 18) Employees of companies engaged in the production of chemicals, medicines, vaccines, and other substances used by the food and agriculture industry, including pesticides, herbicides, fertilizers, minerals, enrichments, and other agricultural production aids
- 19) Animal agriculture workers to include those employed in veterinary health; manufacturing and distribution of animal medical materials, animal vaccines, animal drugs, feed ingredients, feed, and bedding, etc.; transportation of live animals, animal medical materials; transportation of deceased animals for disposal; raising of animals for food; animal production operations; slaughter and packing plants and associated regulatory and government workforce
- 20) Workers who support the manufacture and distribution of forest products, including, but not limited to timber, paper, and other wood products
- 21) Employees engaged in the manufacture and maintenance of equipment and other infrastructure necessary to agricultural production and distribution

(c) ELECTRIC INDUSTRY

- 1) Workers who maintain, ensure, or restore the generation, transmission, and distribution of electric power, including call centers, utility workers, reliability engineers and fleet maintenance technicians
- 2) Workers needed for safe and secure operations at nuclear generation
- 3) Workers at generation, transmission, and electric blackstart facilities

- 4) Workers at Reliability Coordinator (RC), Balancing Authorities (BA), and primary and backup Control Centers (CC), including but not limited to independent system operators, regional transmission organizations, and balancing authorities
- 5) Mutual assistance personnel
- 6) IT and OT technology staff – for EMS (Energy Management Systems) and Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) systems, and utility data centers; Cyber security engineers; cyber security risk management
- 7) Vegetation management crews and traffic workers who support
- 8) Environmental remediation/monitoring technicians
- 9) Instrumentation, protection, and control technicians

(d) PETROLEUM WORKERS

- 1) Petroleum product storage, pipeline, marine transport, terminals, rail transport, road transport
- 2) Crude oil storage facilities, pipeline, and marine transport
- 3) Petroleum refinery facilities
- 4) Petroleum security operations center employees and workers who support emergency response services
- 5) Petroleum operations control rooms/centers
- 6) Petroleum drilling, extraction, production, processing, refining, terminal operations, transporting, and retail for use as end-use fuels or feed stocks for chemical manufacturing
- 7) Onshore and offshore operations for maintenance and emergency response
- 8) Retail fuel centers such as gas stations and truck stops, and the distribution systems that support them

(e) NATURAL GAS AND PROPANE WORKERS

- 1) Natural gas transmission and distribution pipelines, including compressor stations
- 2) Underground storage of natural gas

- 3) Natural gas processing plants, and those that deal with natural gas liquids
- 4) Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) facilities
- 5) Natural gas security operations center, natural gas operations dispatch and control rooms/centers natural gas emergency response and customer emergencies, including natural gas leak calls
- 6) Drilling, production, processing, refining, and transporting natural gas for use as end-use fuels, feedstocks for chemical manufacturing, or use in electricity generation
- 7) Propane gas dispatch and control rooms and emergency response and customer emergencies, including propane leak calls
- 8) Propane gas service maintenance and restoration, including call centers
- 9) Processing, refining, and transporting natural liquids, including propane gas, for use as end-use fuels or feed stocks for chemical manufacturing
- 10) Propane gas storage, transmission, and distribution centers

(f) WATER AND WASTEWATER

Employees needed to operate and maintain drinking water and wastewater/drainage infrastructure, including:

- 1) Operational staff at water authorities
- 2) Operational staff at community water systems
- 3) Operational staff at wastewater treatment facilities
- 4) Workers repairing water and wastewater conveyances and performing required sampling or monitoring
- 5) Operational staff for water distribution and testing
- 6) Operational staff at wastewater collection facilities
- 7) Operational staff and technical support for SCADA Control systems
- 8) Chemical disinfectant suppliers for wastewater and personnel protection
- 9) Workers that maintain digital systems infrastructure supporting water and wastewater operations

(g) TRANSPORTATION AND LOGISTICS

- 1) Employees supporting or enabling transportation functions, including dispatchers, maintenance and repair technicians,

warehouse workers, truck stop and rest area workers, and workers that maintain and inspect infrastructure (including those that require cross-border travel)

- 2) Employees of firms providing services that enable logistics operations, including cooling, storing, packaging, and distributing products for wholesale or retail sale or use.
- 3) Mass transit workers
- 4) Workers responsible for operating dispatching passenger, commuter and freight trains and maintaining rail infrastructure and equipment
- 5) Maritime transportation workers - port workers, mariners, equipment operators
- 6) Truck drivers who haul hazardous and waste materials to support critical infrastructure, capabilities, functions, and services
- 7) Automotive repair and maintenance facilities
- 8) Manufacturers and distributors (to include service centers and related operations) of packaging materials, pallets, crates, containers, and other supplies needed to support manufacturing, packaging staging and distribution operations
- 9) Postal and shipping workers, to include private companies
- 10) Employees who repair and maintain vehicles, aircraft, rail equipment, marine vessels, and the equipment and infrastructure that enables operations that encompass movement of cargo and passengers
- 11) Air transportation employees, including air traffic controllers, ramp personnel, aviation security, and aviation management
- 12) Workers who support the maintenance and operation of cargo by air transportation, including flight crews, maintenance, airport operations, and other on- and off- airport facilities workers

(h) PUBLIC WORKS

- 1) Workers who support the operation, inspection, and maintenance of essential dams, locks and levees
- 2) Workers who support the operation, inspection, and maintenance of essential public works facilities and operations, including bridges, water and sewer main breaks, fleet maintenance personnel,

construction of critical or strategic infrastructure, traffic signal maintenance, emergency location services for buried utilities, maintenance of digital systems infrastructure supporting public works operations, and other emergent issues

- 3) Workers such as plumbers, electricians, exterminators, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences
- 4) Support, such as road and line clearing, to ensure the availability of needed facilities, transportation, energy and communications
- 5) Support to ensure the effective removal, storage, and disposal of residential and commercial solid waste and hazardous waste

(i) COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

- 1) Maintenance of communications infrastructure- including privately owned and maintained communication systems- supported by technicians, operators, call-centers, wireline and wireless providers, cable service providers, satellite operations, undersea cable landing stations, Internet Exchange Points, and manufacturers and distributors of communications equipment
- 2) Workers who support radio, television, and media service, including, but not limited to front line news reporters, studio, and technicians for newsgathering and reporting
- 3) Workers at Independent System Operators and Regional Transmission Organizations, and Network Operations staff, engineers and/or technicians to manage the network or operate facilities
- 4) Engineers, technicians and associated personnel responsible for infrastructure construction and restoration, including contractors for construction and engineering of fiber optic cables
- 5) Installation, maintenance and repair technicians that establish, support or repair service as needed
- 6) Central office personnel to maintain and operate central office, data centers, and other network office facilities
- 7) Customer service and support staff, including managed and professional services as well as remote providers of support to transitioning employees to set up and maintain home offices, who

interface with customers to manage or support service environments and security issues, including payroll, billing, fraud, and troubleshooting

- 8) Dispatchers involved with service repair and restoration
- 9) Workers who support command centers, including, but not limited to Network Operations Command Center, Broadcast Operations Control Center and Security Operations Command Center
- 10) Data center operators, including system administrators, HVAC & electrical engineers, security personnel, IT managers, data transfer solutions engineers, software and hardware engineers, and database administrators
- 11) Client service centers, field engineers, and other technicians supporting critical infrastructure, as well as manufacturers and supply chain vendors that provide hardware and software, and information technology equipment (to include microelectronics and semiconductors) for critical infrastructure
- 12) Workers responding to cyber incidents involving critical infrastructure, including medical facilities, SLTT governments and federal facilities, energy and utilities, and banks and financial institutions, and other critical infrastructure categories and personnel
- 13) Workers supporting the provision of essential global, national and local infrastructure for computing services (incl. cloud computing services), business infrastructure, web-based services, and critical manufacturing
- 14) Workers supporting communications systems and information technology used by law enforcement, public safety, medical, energy and other critical industries
- 15) Support required for continuity of services, including janitorial/cleaning personnel

(j) OTHER COMMUNITY-BASED GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS

- 1) Workers to ensure continuity of building functions
- 2) Security staff to maintain building access control and physical security measures

- 3) Elections personnel
- 4) Federal, State, and Local, Tribal, and Territorial employees who support Mission Essential Functions and communications networks
- 5) Trade Officials (FTA negotiators; international data flow administrators)
- 6) Weather forecasters
- 7) Workers that maintain digital systems infrastructure supporting other critical government operations
- 8) Workers at operations centers necessary to maintain other essential functions
- 9) Workers who support necessary credentialing, vetting and licensing operations for transportation workers
- 10) Customs workers who are critical to facilitating trade in support of the national emergency response supply chain
- 11) Educators supporting public and private K-12 schools, colleges, and universities for purposes of facilitating distance learning or performing other essential functions, if operating under rules for social distancing
- 12) Hotel Workers where hotels are used for COVID-19 mitigation and containment measures

(k) CRITICAL MANUFACTURING

- 1) Workers necessary for the manufacturing of materials and products needed for medical supply chains, transportation, energy, communications, food and agriculture, chemical manufacturing, nuclear facilities, the operation of dams, water and wastewater treatment, emergency services, and the defense industrial base.
- 2) Hazardous Materials
- 3) Workers at nuclear facilities, workers managing medical waste, workers managing waste from pharmaceuticals and medical material production, and workers at laboratories processing test kits
- 4) Workers who support hazardous materials response and cleanup
- 5) Workers who maintain digital systems infrastructure supporting hazardous materials management operations

(l) FINANCIAL SERVICES

- 1) Workers who are needed to process and maintain systems for processing financial transactions and services (e.g., payment, clearing, and settlement; wholesale funding; insurance services; and capital markets activities)
- 2) Workers who are needed to provide consumer access to banking and lending services, including ATMs, and to move currency and payments (e.g., armored cash carriers)
- 3) Workers who support financial operations, such as those staffing data and security operations centers

(m) CHEMICAL

- 1) Workers supporting the chemical and industrial gas supply chains, including workers at chemical manufacturing plants, workers in laboratories, workers at distribution facilities, workers who transport basic raw chemical materials to the producers of industrial and consumer goods, including hand sanitizers, food and food additives, pharmaceuticals, textiles, and paper products.
- 2) Workers supporting the safe transportation of chemicals, including those supporting tank truck cleaning facilities and workers who manufacture packaging items
- 3) Workers supporting the production of protective cleaning and medical solutions, personal protective equipment, and packaging that prevents the contamination of food, water, medicine, among others essential products
- 4) Workers supporting the operation and maintenance of facilities (particularly those with high risk chemicals and/ or sites that cannot be shut down) whose work cannot be done remotely and requires the presence of highly trained personnel to ensure safe operations, including plant contract workers who provide inspections
- 5) Workers who support the production and transportation of chlorine and alkali manufacturing, single-use plastics, and packaging that prevents the contamination or supports the continued manufacture of food, water, medicine, and other essential products, including glass container manufacturing

(n) DEFENSE INDUSTRY BASE

- 1) Workers who support the essential services required to meet national security commitments to the federal government and U.S. Military. These individuals, include but are not limited to, aerospace; mechanical and software engineers, manufacturing/production workers; IT support; security staff; security personnel; intelligence support, aircraft and weapon system mechanics and maintainers
- 2) Personnel working for companies, and their subcontractors, who perform under contract to the Department of Defense providing materials and services to the Department of Defense, and government-owned/contractor- operated and government-owned/government-operated facilities

(o) ESSENTIAL GOVERNMENT FUNCTIONS

Services provided by local governments needed to ensure the continuing operation of the government agencies to provide for the health, safety and welfare of the public. Further, nothing in this order shall prohibit any individual from performing or accessing "Essential Government Functions." This notwithstanding, certain government facilities may be closed to the public, except by appointment only. All Essential Government Functions shall be performed in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet, to the extent possible.

(p) ESSENTIAL CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

Work necessary to the operations and maintenance of the 16 critical infrastructure sectors as identified by the National Cyber security and Infrastructure Agency (CISA) including public works construction, residential and commercial construction, airport operations, water, sewer, gas, electrical, oil refining, roads and highways, public transportation, solid waste collection and removal, internet, and telecommunications systems (including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and web-based services), financial institutions, defense

and national security-related operations, essential manufacturing operations provided that they carry out those services or that work in compliance with social distancing requirements of six feet, to the extent possible. Essential Businesses providing essential infrastructure should implement screening precautions to protect employees and all activity shall be performed in compliance with social distancing guidelines from the CDC. The following CISA document is incorporated by reference and intended to be used as guidance under this Order regarding permissible and necessary operations.

https://www.cisa.gov/sites/default/files/publications/CISA_Guidance_on_the_Essential_Critical_Infrastructure_Workforce_508C_0.pdf

(q) **ESSENTIAL RETAIL**

Food service providers, including grocery stores, warehouse stores, big-box stores, bodegas, gas stations and convenience stores, farmers' markets that sell food products and household staples. Food cultivation, including fanning, fishing, and livestock. Businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, goods or services directly to residences. Restaurants and other facilities that prepare and serve food, but only for delivery or carry out. Schools and other entities that typically provide free services to students or members of the public on a pick-up and take-away basis only. The restriction of delivery or carry out does not apply to cafes and restaurants located within hospital and medical facilities. Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers. Gas stations, auto-supply, auto sales and repair facilities, hardware stores, and related facilities. Businesses that supply products needed for people to work from home.

(r) **PROVIDERS OF BASIC NECESSITIES TO ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED POPULATIONS**

Businesses that provide food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals.

(s) **ESSENTIAL SERVICES NECESSARY TO MAINTAIN ESSENTIAL OPERATIONS OF RESIDENCES OR OTHER ESSENTIAL**

BUSINESSES

Trash and recycling collection, processing and disposal, mail and shipping services, building cleaning, maintenance and security, warehouse/distribution and fulfillment, storage for essential businesses, funeral homes, crematoriums and cemeteries. Plumbers, electricians, exterminators, lawn maintenance services, pool services and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operations of residences and Essential Businesses. Professional services, such as legal or accounting services, when necessary to assist in compliance with legally mandated activities. Businesses that supply other essential businesses with support or supplies needed to operate.

(t) **NEWS MEDIA**

Newspapers, television, radio, and other media services.

(u) **CHILDCARE SERVICES**

Childcare facilities providing services that enable employees exempted in this Order to work as permitted.


5. Additional Information

- (a) Any manufacturer who retools so that a substantial part of their business is for the purpose of manufacturing and producing ventilators may apply for an "essential business" exemption under this Order.
- (b) If someone in a household has tested positive for Coronavirus, the household is ordered to isolate at home. Members of the household cannot go to work, school, or any other community function.
- (c) Nursing homes, retirement, and long-term care facilities are instructed by this order to prohibit non-essential visitors from accessing their facilities unless to provide critical assistance or for end-of-life visitation.
- (d) This Order shall be effective until 11:59 p.m. on April 8, 2020, or until it

is either rescinded, superseded, or amended pursuant to applicable law.

- (e) The County of Kaufman must promptly provide copies of this Order by posting on the County of Kaufman website. In addition, the owner, manager, or operator of any facility that is likely to be impacted by this Order is strongly encouraged to post a copy of this Order onsite and to provide a copy to any member of the public asking for a copy. If any subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this Order or any application of it to any person, structure, gathering, or circumstance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision will not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this Order.
- (f) The Kaufman County Sheriff's Office, the Kaufman County Fire Marshal's Office, and other peace officers, are hereby authorized to enforce this order. A violation of this order may be punishable through criminal or civil enforcement. A violation of this order is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 24rd day of March, 2020.



Hal Richards,
COUNTY JUDGE

This Exhibit is:



Superseded



Rescinded



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NOTES:

SEE Exhibit F and Amendments to Exhibit F.

EXHIBIT D

To Ordinance No. 4773

Texas Governor Greg Abbott EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 11
Relating to AIRPORT Screening and Self-quarantine during the COVID-19 Disaster

AND

Texas Governor Greg Abbott PROCLAMATION issued on March 29, 2020
Updating Executive Order GA 11



GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT


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The Honorable Ruth R. Hughs
Secretary of State
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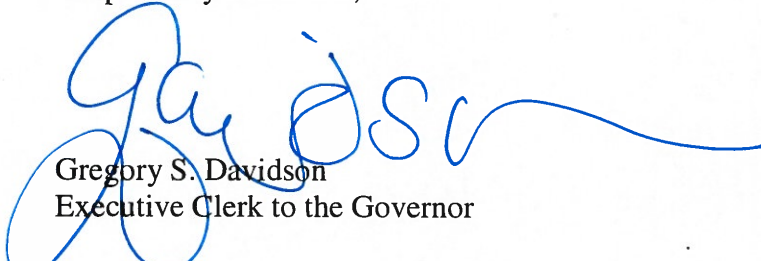
Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

Executive Order No. GA-11 relating to airport screening and self-quarantine
during the COVID-19 disaster.

The original executive order is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor
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Attachment

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Executive Order

BY THE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executive Department
Austin, Texas
March 26, 2020

EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 11

Relating to airport screening and self-quarantine during the COVID-19 disaster.

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of State Health Services has determined that, as of March 19, 2020, COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, I issued Executive Order GA-08 on March 19, 2020, Executive Order GA-09 on March 22, 2020, and Executive Order GA-10 on March 24, 2020, all in response to the COVID-19 disaster; and

WHEREAS, many cases of COVID-19 in the State of Texas were caused by people who transmitted the virus to Texans after flying here from other states and countries; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Deborah Birx, the White House Coronavirus Response Coordinator, recently urged everyone who traveled from the New York metropolitan area to self-quarantine for 14 days to ensure that COVID-19 does not spread to others; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Anthony Fauci, a member of the White House Coronavirus Task Force, likewise called for 14 days of self-quarantine of travelers from New York so that New York does not act as a “seeding point to the rest of the country;” and

WHEREAS, after the Governor of Florida imposed a quarantine on all air travelers arriving from the New York Tri-State Area, which is experiencing substantial community spread of COVID-19, the Mayor of New York City remarked to the press, “I understand it. We are the epicenter;” and

WHEREAS, the “governor is responsible for meeting . . . the dangers to the state and people presented by disasters” under Section 418.011 of the Texas Government Code, and the legislature has given the governor broad authority to fulfill that responsibility; and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.012, the “governor may issue executive orders . . . hav[ing] the force and effect of law;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.017(a), the “governor may use all available resources of

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state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with a disaster;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.018(c), the “governor may control ingress and egress to and from a disaster area and the movement of persons and the occupancy of premises in the area;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.173, failure to comply with any executive order issued during the COVID-19 disaster is an offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days, or both fine and confinement.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby order the following on a statewide basis effective at noon on March 28, 2020:

Every person who enters the State of Texas as the final destination through an airport, from a point of origin or point of last departure in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, or the City of New Orleans, or in any other state or city as may be proclaimed hereafter, shall be subject to mandatory self-quarantine for a period of 14 days from the time of entry into Texas or the duration of the person’s presence in Texas, whichever is shorter. This order to self-quarantine shall not apply to people traveling in connection with military service, emergency response, health response, or critical-infrastructure functions, as may be determined by the Texas Division of Emergency Management. Each person covered under this order to self-quarantine shall be responsible for all associated costs, including transportation, lodging, food, and medical care.

A covered person shall use a form prescribed by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) to designate a quarantine location in Texas, such as a residence or a hotel, and provide a full name, date of birth, home address, telephone number, and driver license or passport information. DPS Troopers, or other approved peace officers, shall collect a completed form from each covered person immediately upon disembarking and verify it against the person’s driver license or passport. Providing false information on this form is a criminal offense under Section 37.10 of the Texas Penal Code. Questions about this form should be directed to DPS at (800) 525-5555.

A covered person shall proceed directly from the airport to the designated quarantine location entered on the DPS form. Any covered person exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 shall be escorted to the designated quarantine location by a DPS Trooper.

A covered person shall remain in the designated quarantine location for a period of 14 days or the duration of the person’s presence in Texas, whichever is shorter, leaving only to seek medical care or to depart from Texas. During that period, a covered person shall not allow visitors into or out of the designated quarantine location, other than a health department employee, physician, or healthcare provider, and shall not visit any public spaces.

DPS Special Agents will conduct unannounced visits to designated quarantine locations to verify compliance by confirming the physical presence of covered persons. Any failure to comply with this order to self-quarantine shall be a criminal offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000, confinement in jail for

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a term not to exceed 180 days, or both.

This executive order shall remain in effect and in full force until modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.



Given under my hand this the 26th
day of March, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Abbott".

GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ruth R. Hughs".

RUTH R. HUGHS
Secretary of State

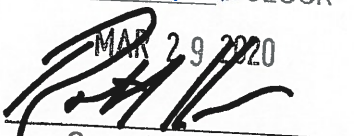
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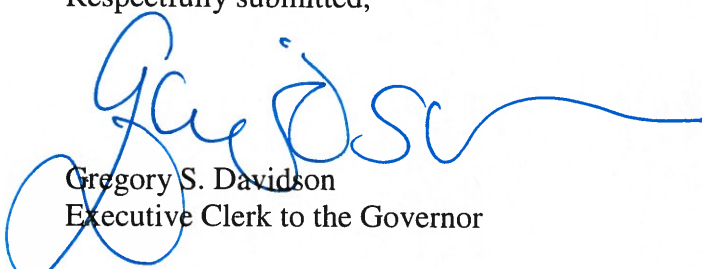
Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

A proclamation adding states and cities to the list set forth in Executive Order GA-11 for a mandatory self-quarantine of 14 days effective at noon on March 30, 2020, for air travelers flying to Texas from areas experiencing substantial community spread of COVID-19 to include the states of California, Louisiana, and Washington and the cities of Atlanta, Georgia; Chicago, Illinois; Detroit, Michigan; and Miami, Florida.

The original proclamation is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

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PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

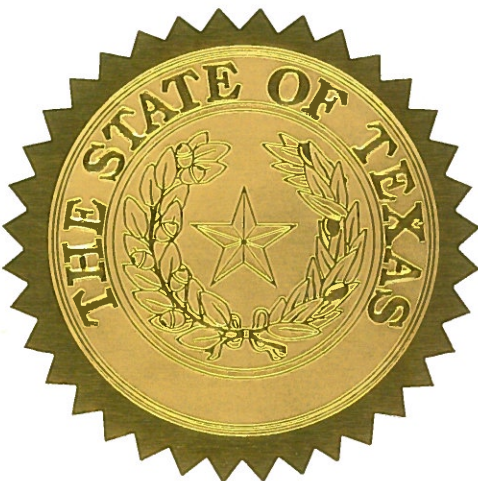
WHEREAS, on March 26, 2020, Executive Order GA-11 imposed a mandatory self-quarantine of 14 days for air travelers flying to Texas from certain areas experiencing substantial community spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order GA-11 provided that additional states or cities could be added to that mandatory self-quarantine by proclamation thereafter.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby add the following states and cities, effective at noon on March 30, 2020, to the list set forth in Executive Order GA-11:

State of California
State of Louisiana
State of Washington
City of Atlanta, Georgia
City of Chicago, Illinois
City of Detroit, Michigan
City of Miami, Florida

This proclamation shall remain in effect and in full force for as long as Executive Order GA-11 is in effect and in full force, unless otherwise modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed at my office in the City of Austin, Texas, this the 29th day of March, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Greg Abbott".

GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ruth R. Hughs".

RUTH R. HUGHS
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EXHIBIT E

To Ordinance No. 4773

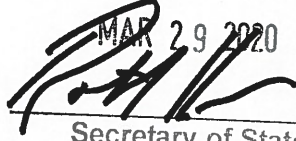
Texas Governor Greg Abbott's EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 12
Relating to ROADWAY Screening and Self-quarantine during the COVID-19 Disaster



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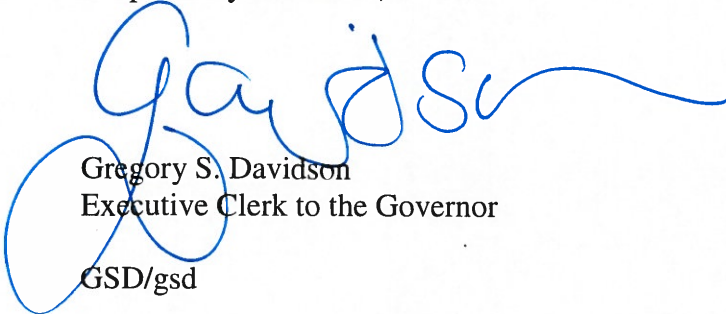
Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

Executive Order No. GA-12 relating to roadway screening and self-quarantine
during the COVID-19 disaster.

The original executive order is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor
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Attachment

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Executive Order

BY THE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executive Department
Austin, Texas
March 29, 2020

EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 12

Relating to roadway screening and self-quarantine during the COVID-19 disaster.

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services has determined that COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, I issued Executive Order GA-08 on March 19, 2020, Executive Order GA-09 on March 22, 2020, Executive Order GA-10 on March 24, 2020, and Executive Order GA-11 on March 26, 2020, all in response to the COVID-19 disaster; and

WHEREAS, many cases of COVID-19 in the State of Texas were caused by people who transmitted the virus to Texans after traveling here from other states and countries; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order GA-11 imposed a mandatory self-quarantine of 14 days for air travelers flying to Texas from certain areas experiencing substantial community spread of COVID-19, including the City of New Orleans; and

WHEREAS, Texas shares a border with Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, on March 26, 2020, the Governor of Louisiana proclaimed that “the COVID-19 outbreak in Louisiana has expanded significantly;” and

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2020, the Governor of Florida extended his quarantine to cover people traveling from Louisiana by roadways; and

WHEREAS, the “governor is responsible for meeting ... the dangers to the state and people presented by disasters” under Section 418.011 of the Texas Government Code, and the legislature has given the governor broad authority to fulfill that responsibility; and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.012, the “governor may issue executive orders ... hav[ing] the force and effect of law;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.017(a), the “governor may use all available resources of

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state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with a disaster;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.018(c), the “governor may control ingress and egress to and from a disaster area and the movement of persons and the occupancy of premises in the area;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.173, failure to comply with any executive order issued during the COVID-19 disaster is an offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days, or both fine and confinement.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby order the following on a statewide basis effective at noon on March 30, 2020:

Every person who enters the State of Texas through roadways from Louisiana, or from any other state as may be proclaimed hereafter, shall be subject to mandatory self-quarantine for a period of 14 days from the time of entry into Texas or the duration of the person’s presence in Texas, whichever is shorter. This order to self-quarantine shall not apply to people traveling in connection with commercial activity, military service, emergency response, health response, or critical-infrastructure functions, as may be determined by the Texas Division of Emergency Management. Each person covered by this order to self-quarantine shall be responsible for all associated costs, including transportation, lodging, food, and medical care.

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) shall enforce this executive order along the Texas-Louisiana border. Using a form to be prescribed by DPS, each covered person shall designate a quarantine location in Texas, such as a residence or a hotel, and provide a full name, date of birth, home address, telephone number, and driver license or passport information. DPS Troopers, or other approved peace officers, will collect a completed form from a covered person and verify it against the person’s driver license or passport. Providing false information on this form is a criminal offense under Section 37.10 of the Texas Penal Code. Questions about this form should be directed to DPS by calling (800) 525-5555.

A covered person shall proceed directly to the designated quarantine location entered on the DPS form. Any covered person exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 shall be escorted to the designated quarantine location by a DPS Trooper.

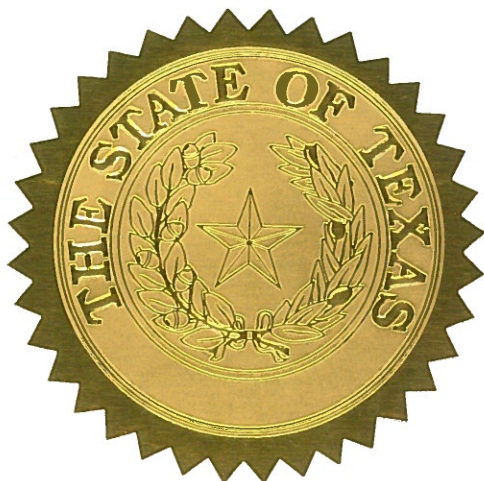
A covered person shall remain in the designated quarantine location for a period of 14 days or the duration of the person’s presence in Texas, whichever is shorter, leaving only to seek medical care or to depart from Texas. During that period, a covered person shall not allow visitors into or out of the designated quarantine location, other than a health department employee, physician, or health care provider, and shall not visit any public spaces.

DPS Special Agents will conduct unannounced visits to designated quarantine locations to verify compliance by confirming the physical presence of covered persons. Any failure to comply with this order to self-quarantine shall be a criminal offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000, confinement in jail

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for a term not to exceed 180 days, or both.

This executive order shall remain in effect and in full force until modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.

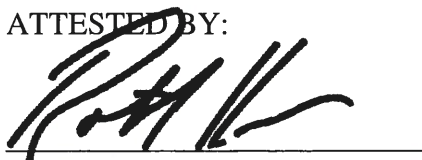


Given under my hand this the 29th
day of March, 2020.



GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:



RUTH R. HUGHS
Secretary of State

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**AMENDMENT NO. 5
TO
EXHIBIT F
To Ordinance No. 4773**

***** This AMENDMENT No. 5 to EXHIBIT F supersedes (replaces) the following: *****

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Governor's Statewide Orders:

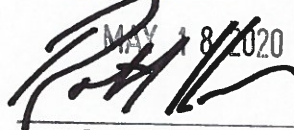
- Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-23 (Superseding GA-21 and GA-22)
- Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-20 (Superseding GA-11 and GA-12)
- Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-19 (Superseding GA-15)
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- Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-13
- Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-10
- Proclamation – Declaring State of Disaster



GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

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The Honorable Ruth R. Hughs
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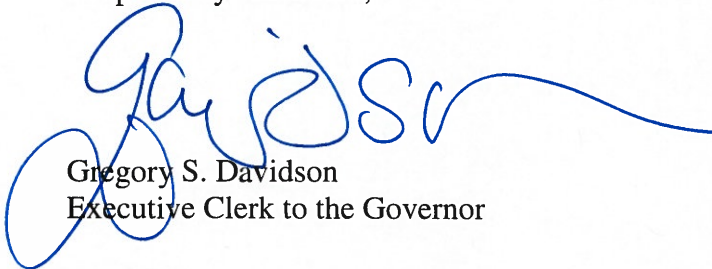
Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

Executive Order No. GA-23 relating to the expanded opening of Texas in
response to the COVID-19 disaster.

The original executive order is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,



Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

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Attachment

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Executive Order

BY THE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executive Department
Austin, Texas
May 18, 2020

EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 23

Relating to the expanded opening of Texas in response to the COVID-19 disaster.

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, I issued proclamations renewing the disaster declaration for all counties in Texas on April 12 and May 12, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Dr. John Hellerstedt, has determined on March 19, April 17, and May 15, 2020, that COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, I have issued executive orders and suspensions of Texas laws in response to COVID-19, aimed at protecting the health and safety of Texans and ensuring an effective response to this disaster; and

WHEREAS, I issued Executive Order GA-08 on March 19, 2020, mandating certain obligations for Texans in accordance with the President's Coronavirus Guidelines for America, as promulgated by President Donald J. Trump and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on March 16, 2020, which called upon Americans to take actions to slow the spread of COVID-19 for 15 days; and

WHEREAS, I issued Executive Order GA-14 on March 31, 2020, based on the President's announcement that the restrictive Guidelines should extend through April 30, 2020, in light of advice from Dr. Anthony Fauci and Dr. Deborah Birx, and also based on guidance by DSHS Commissioner Dr. Hellerstedt and Dr. Birx that the spread of COVID-19 can be reduced by minimizing social gatherings; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order GA-14 superseded Executive Order GA-08 and expanded the social-distancing restrictions and other obligations for Texans, aimed at slowing the spread of COVID-19 and protecting public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, after more than two weeks of having in effect the heightened restrictions like those required by Executive Order GA-14, which had saved lives, it was clear that the disease still presented a serious threat across Texas that could persist in certain areas, but also that COVID-19 had wrought havoc on many Texas businesses and workers affected by the restrictions that were necessary to protect human life; and

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WHEREAS, on April 17, 2020, I therefore issued Executive Order GA-17, creating the Governor's Strike Force to Open Texas to study and make recommendations on safely and strategically restarting and revitalizing all aspects of the Lone Star State—work, school, entertainment, and culture; and

WHEREAS, also on April 17, 2020, I issued Executive Order GA-16 to generally continue through April 30, 2020, the same social-distancing restrictions and other obligations for Texans according to federal guidelines, but also to offer a safe, strategic first step to Open Texas; and

WHEREAS, I subsequently issued Executive Orders GA-18 and GA-21 on April 27 and May 5, 2020, respectively, to expand the services that are reopened in Texas; and

WHEREAS, as normal business operations resume, everyone must act safely, and to that end Executive Orders GA-18 and GA-21, as well as this executive order, provide that all persons should follow the health protocols recommended by DSHS, which whenever achieved will mean compliance with the minimum standards for safely reopening, but which should not be used to fault those who act in good faith but can only substantially comply with the standards in light of scarce resources and other extenuating COVID-19 circumstances; and

WHEREAS, in coping with the COVID-19 disaster, and especially as services are being reopened in Texas, government officials should look for the least restrictive means of combatting the threat to public health; and

WHEREAS, on May 7, 2020, I issued Executive Order GA-22 to remove confinement in jail as an available penalty for non-compliance with any state or local executive order issued in response to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Texas must continue to protect lives while restoring livelihoods, both of which can be achieved with the expert advice of medical professionals and business leaders; and

WHEREAS, the “governor is responsible for meeting ... the dangers to the state and people presented by disasters” under Section 418.011 of the Texas Government Code, and the legislature has given the governor broad authority to fulfill that responsibility; and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.012, the “governor may issue executive orders ... hav[ing] the force and effect of law;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.016(a), the “governor may suspend the provisions of any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business ... if strict compliance with the provisions ... would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with a disaster;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.017(a), the “governor may use all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with a disaster;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.018(c), the “governor may control ingress and egress to and from a disaster area and the movement of persons and the occupancy of premises in the area;” and

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WHEREAS, failure to comply with any executive order issued during the COVID-19 disaster is an offense punishable under Section 418.173 by a fine not to exceed \$1,000, and may be subject to regulatory enforcement;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby order the following on a statewide basis effective immediately, and continuing through June 3, 2020, subject to extension based on the status of COVID-19 in Texas and the recommendations of the Governor's Strike Force to Open Texas, the White House Coronavirus Task Force, and the CDC:

In accordance with guidance from DSHS Commissioner Dr. Hellerstedt, and to achieve the goals established by the President to reduce the spread of COVID-19, every person in Texas shall, except where necessary to provide or obtain Covered Services, minimize social gatherings and minimize in-person contact with people who are not in the same household. People over the age of 65, however, are strongly encouraged to stay at home as much as possible; to maintain appropriate distance from any member of the household who has been out of the residence in the previous 14 days; and, if leaving the home, to implement social distancing and to practice good hygiene, environmental cleanliness, and sanitation.

"Covered Services" shall consist of everything listed by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 3.0 or any subsequent version, plus religious services conducted in churches, congregations, and houses of worship. These covered services are not subject to the conditions and limitations, including occupancy or operating limits, set forth below for other covered services.

"Covered Services" shall also consist of the following to the extent they are not already CISA services or religious services, subject to the conditions and limitations set forth below:

1. Retail services that may be provided through pick-up, delivery by mail, or delivery to the customer's doorstep.
2. In-store, non-CISA retail services, for retail establishments that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the retail establishment.
3. Dine-in restaurant services, for restaurants that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the restaurant, effective until 12:01 a.m. on Friday, May 22, 2020, when this provision is superseded by the provision set forth below for expanded dine-in restaurant services; provided, however, that
 - a. this applies only to restaurants that have less than 51 percent of their gross receipts from the sale of alcoholic beverages; and
 - b. any components of the restaurants that have interactive functions or exhibits, including child play areas, interactive games, and video arcades, must remain closed.
4. Movie theaters that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of any individual theater for any screening; provided, however, that components of the movie theaters that have video arcades or interactive games must remain closed.
5. Shopping malls that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the shopping mall; provided, however, that within shopping malls, the food-court dining areas, play areas, video arcades, and interactive displays and settings must

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- remain closed.
6. Museums and libraries that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy; provided, however, that
 - a. local public museums and local public libraries may so operate only if permitted by the local government; and
 - b. any components of museums or libraries that have interactive functions or exhibits, including child play areas, must remain closed.
 7. Golf course operations.
 8. Local government operations, including county and municipal governmental operations relating to licensing (including marriage licenses), permitting, recordation, and document-filing services, as determined by the local government.
 9. Wedding venues and the services required to conduct weddings; provided, however, that for weddings held indoors other than at a church, congregation, or house of worship, the facility may operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the facility.
 10. Wedding reception services, for facilities that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the facility.
 11. Cosmetology salons, hair salons, barber shops, nail salons/shops, and other establishments where licensed cosmetologists or barbers practice their trade; provided, however, that all such salons, shops, and establishments must ensure at least six feet of social distancing between operating work stations.
 12. Tanning salons; provided, however, that all such salons must ensure at least six feet of social distancing between operating work stations.
 13. Swimming pools, as determined by each pool owner; provided, however, that
 - a. indoor swimming pools may operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the pool facility; and
 - b. outdoor swimming pools may operate at up to 25 percent of normal operating limits as determined by the pool owner.
 14. Non-CISA services provided by office workers in offices that operate at up to the greater of (i) ten individuals, or (ii) 25 percent of the total office workforce; provided, however, that the individuals maintain appropriate social distancing.
 15. Non-CISA manufacturing services, for facilities that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the facility.
 16. Gyms and exercise facilities and classes that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the gym or exercise facility; provided, however, that locker rooms and shower facilities must remain closed, but restrooms may open.
 17. Starting immediately for all Texas counties except Deaf Smith, El Paso, Moore, Potter, and Randall counties:
 - a. Massage establishments and other facilities where licensed massage therapists or other persons licensed or otherwise authorized to practice under Chapter 455 of the Texas Occupations Code practice their trade; provided, however, that all such facilities must ensure at least six feet of social distancing between operating work stations.
 - b. Personal-care and beauty services that have not already been reopened, such as tattoo studios, piercing studios, hair removal services, and hair loss treatment and growth services; provided, however, that (i) all such facilities must ensure at least six feet of social distancing between operating work stations; and (ii) to the extent such services are licensed or otherwise regulated by Texas law, such services may operate only as permitted by Texas law.
 - c. Child-care services other than youth camps as described below; provided, however, that to the extent such services are licensed or otherwise regulated by Texas law, such services may operate only as permitted by Texas law.
 18. Starting at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, May 22, 2020, for all Texas counties except Deaf

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Smith, El Paso, Moore, Potter, and Randall counties:

- a. Dine-in restaurant services, for restaurants that operate at up to 50 percent of the total listed occupancy of the restaurant; provided, however that (i) this applies only to restaurants that have less than 51 percent of their gross receipts from the sale of alcoholic beverages; and (ii) any components of the restaurants that have interactive functions or exhibits, including child play areas, interactive games, and video arcades, must remain closed.
 - b. Bars and similar establishments that are not restaurants as defined above, that hold a permit from the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, and that are not otherwise expressly prohibited in this executive order, for such establishments that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the establishment; provided, however, that any components of the establishments that have interactive functions or exhibits, including child play areas, interactive games, and video arcades, must remain closed.
 - c. Aquariums, natural caverns, and similar facilities (excluding zoos) that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy or, for outdoor areas, at up to 25 percent of the normal operating limits as determined by the facility owner; provided, however, that (i) local public facilities may so operate only if permitted by the local government; and (ii) any components of the facilities that have interactive functions or exhibits, including child play areas, must remain closed.
 - d. Bowling alleys, bingo halls, simulcast racing to the extent authorized by state law, and skating rinks that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the establishment; provided, however, that (i) bowling alleys must ensure at least six feet of social distancing between operating lanes; and (ii) components of the establishments that have video arcades must remain closed.
 - e. Rodeos and equestrian events that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy or, for outdoor areas, at up to 25 percent of the normal operating limits as determined by the facility owner; provided, however, that this authorizes only the rodeo or equestrian event and not larger gatherings, such as county fairs, in which such an event may be held.
 - f. Drive-in concerts, under guidelines that facilitate appropriate social distancing, that generally require spectators to remain in their vehicles, and that minimize in-person contact between people who are not in the same household or vehicle.
 - g. Amateur sporting events (i) at which there is no access to the general public allowed; and (ii) for which all participants have tested negative for COVID-19 prior to the event, are quarantined for the duration of the event, are temperature-checked and monitored for symptoms daily, and are tested again for COVID-19 at the end of the event.
19. Starting at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, May 29, 2020, for Deaf Smith, El Paso, Moore, Potter, and Randall counties:
- a. All services that were restored for other Texas counties on Monday, May 18 and Friday, May 22, 2020, in numbers 17 and 18 above.
20. Starting at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, May 29, 2020, for all Texas counties:
- a. Outdoor areas of zoos that operate at up to 25 percent of the normal operating limits as determined by the zoo owner; provided, however, that (i) indoor areas of zoos, other than restrooms, must remain closed; (ii) any components of the zoos that have interactive functions or exhibits, including child play areas, must remain closed; and (iii) local public zoos may so operate only if permitted by the local government.
21. Starting at 12:01 a.m. on Sunday, May 31, 2020, for all Texas counties:

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- a. Professional basketball, baseball, softball, golf, tennis, football, and car racing events, with no spectators physically present on the premises of the venue, as approved on a league-by-league basis by DSHS, in consultation with the Office of the Governor and any recommendations by the advisory Strike Force to Open Texas, based on whether the league has submitted a plan that applies to all events and that meets the minimum health and safety standards; provided, however, that each league must submit, along with a request for approval in the manner prescribed by DSHS, a plan that incorporates applicable minimum standard health protocols recommended by DSHS, as applicable, and such additional measures as are needed to ensure a safe plan for conducting the event.
 - b. Youth camps, including but not limited to those defined as such under Chapter 141 of the Texas Health and Safety Code, and including all summer camps and other daytime and overnight camps for youths.
 - c. Youth sports programs; provided, however, that practices may begin, but games and similar competitions may not begin until June 15, 2020.
22. For Texas counties that have filed with DSHS, and are in compliance with, the requisite attestation form promulgated by DSHS regarding five or fewer cases of COVID-19, those services, establishments, and facilities listed above with 25 percent occupancy or operating limits may, as otherwise defined and limited above, operate at up to 50 percent.
23. Such additional services as may be enumerated by future executive orders or proclamations by the governor.

For the Covered Services listed above with limits based on “total listed occupancy,” the total listed occupancy limits refer to the maximum occupant load set by local or state law, but for purposes of this executive order, staff members are not included in determining operating levels except for non-CISA manufacturing service providers and non-CISA services provided by office workers. The “total listed occupancy” limits do not apply to outdoor areas, events, facilities, or establishments. Additionally, valet services are prohibited except for vehicles with placards or plates for disabled parking.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the governor may by proclamation identify any county or counties in which Covered Services other than CISA services and religious services are thereafter prohibited, in the governor’s sole discretion, based on the governor’s determination in consultation with medical professionals that only CISA services and religious services should be permitted in the county, including based on factors such as an increase in the transmission of COVID-19 or in the amount of COVID-19-related hospitalizations or fatalities.

In providing or obtaining Covered Services, all persons (including individuals, businesses and other organizations, and any other legal entity) should use good-faith efforts and available resources to follow the minimum standard health protocols recommended by DSHS, found at www.dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus. All persons should also follow, to the extent not inconsistent with the DSHS minimum standards, the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, as well as other CDC recommendations. Individuals are encouraged to wear appropriate face coverings, but no jurisdiction can impose a civil or criminal penalty for failure to wear a face covering. Nothing in this executive order or the DSHS minimum standards precludes requiring a customer wishing to obtain services to follow additional hygiene measures.

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Religious services should be conducted in accordance with the joint guidance issued and updated by the attorney general and governor. Nothing in this executive order, the DSHS minimum standards, or the joint guidance issued and updated by the attorney general and governor precludes churches, congregations, and houses of worship from using school campuses for their religious services or other allowed services.

Except as specifically allowed above, people shall avoid visiting interactive amusement venues such as video arcades, amusement parks, or water parks, unless these enumerated establishments or venues are specifically added as a Covered Service by proclamation or future executive order of the governor. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the governor may by proclamation add to this list of establishments or venues that people shall avoid visiting. To the extent any of the establishments or venues that people shall avoid visiting also offer Covered Services permitted above, such as restaurant services, these establishments or venues can offer only the Covered Services and may not offer any other services.

This executive order does not prohibit people from accessing Covered Services or engaging in safe daily activities, such as going to the grocery store or gas station; providing or obtaining other Covered Services; visiting swimming pools, parks, beaches, rivers, or lakes; hunting or fishing; attending youth club meetings or events; or engaging in physical activity like jogging, bicycling, or other outdoor sports, so long as the necessary precautions are maintained to reduce the transmission of COVID-19 and to minimize in-person contact with people who are not in the same household.

In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, people shall not visit nursing homes, state supported living centers, assisted living facilities, or long-term care facilities unless to provide critical assistance as determined through guidance from the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC). Nursing homes, state supported living centers, assisted living facilities, and long-term care facilities should follow infection control policies and practices set forth by the HHSC, including minimizing the movement of staff between facilities whenever possible.

In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, schools shall remain temporarily closed to in-person classroom attendance by students for the 2019-2020 school year, except for the following:

1. Public education students (accompanied by an adult if needed) may, as allowed by the school consistent with the minimum standard health protocols found in guidance issued by the Texas Education Agency (TEA), visit his or her school campus (a) for limited non-instructional administrative tasks such as cleaning out lockers, collecting personal belongings, and returning school items like band instruments and books; or (b) for graduating seniors, to complete post-secondary requirements that cannot be accomplished absent access to the school facility and its resources, excluding any activity or assessment which can be done virtually.
2. Beginning June 1, 2020, public school districts may offer, and public education students may accordingly visit school campuses for, in-person classroom instructional activities and learning options, such as summer school programs, special education evaluations, specialized assessments, and individualized tutoring, under the minimum standard health protocols found in guidance issued by the TEA.
3. Public education teachers and staff are encouraged to continue to work remotely

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from home if possible, but may return to schools to conduct remote video instruction, to perform administrative duties, and, beginning June 1, 2020, to provide in-person classroom instructional activities and learning options as permitted and offered by school districts, under the minimum standard health protocols found in guidance issued by the TEA.

4. Private schools and institutions of higher education may reopen campuses and are encouraged to establish similar standards to allow students, teachers, and staff to return to schools for the limited purposes set forth above.
5. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, schools may conduct graduation ceremonies consistent with the minimum standard health protocols found in guidance issued by the TEA.

This executive order, as it pertains to cosmetology salons, hair salons, barber shops, nail salons/shops, and other establishments where licensed cosmetologists or barbers practice their trade, is retroactive to April 2, 2020, to the extent necessary to supersede and nullify the existence of any prior or existing state or local executive order, the violation of which could form the basis for confinement in jail. To the extent any order issued by local officials in response to COVID-19 would allow confinement in jail of a person inconsistent with this executive order or any prior state executive order, that order is superseded retroactive to April 2, 2020.

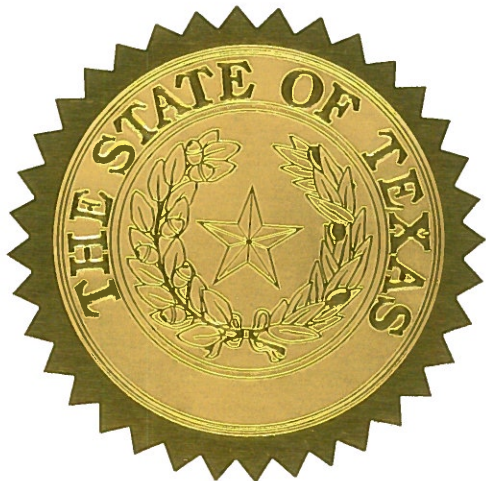
All existing state executive orders relating to COVID-19 are amended to eliminate confinement in jail as an available penalty for any violation of the executive orders. No jurisdiction can confine a person in jail as a penalty for violating any executive order, or any order issued by local officials, in response to the COVID-19 disaster. To the extent any order issued by local officials in response to the COVID-19 disaster would allow confinement in jail, that order is superseded, and I hereby suspend all relevant laws to the extent necessary to ensure that local officials do not confine people in jail for violating any order issued in response to the COVID-19 disaster. This amendment and suspension operates retroactively to April 2, 2020, and supersedes any contrary local or state order.

This executive order shall supersede any conflicting order issued by local officials in response to the COVID-19 disaster, but only to the extent that such a local order restricts Covered Services allowed by this executive order, allows gatherings prohibited by this executive order, or expands the list or scope of Covered Services as set forth in this executive order. I hereby suspend Sections 418.1015(b) and 418.108 of the Texas Government Code, Chapter 81, Subchapter E of the Texas Health and Safety Code, and any other relevant statutes, to the extent necessary to ensure that local officials do not impose restrictions in response to the COVID-19 disaster that are inconsistent with this executive order, provided that local officials may enforce this executive order as well as local restrictions that are consistent with this executive order.

This executive order supersedes Executive Orders GA-21 and GA-22, but does not supersede Executive Orders GA-10, GA-13, GA-17, GA-19, or GA-20. This executive order shall remain in effect and in full force until 11:59 p.m. on June 3, 2020, unless it is modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.

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Given under my hand this the 18th
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GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:

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RUTH R. HUGHS
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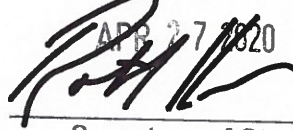
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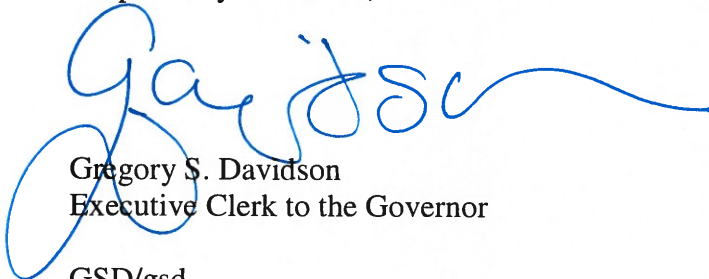
Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

Executive Order No. GA-20 relating to expanding travel without restrictions as part of the safe, strategic plan to Open Texas in response to the COVID-19 disaster.

The original executive order is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

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BY THE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executive Department
Austin, Texas
April 27, 2020

EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 20

*Relating to expanding travel without restrictions as part of the safe, strategic plan to
Open Texas in response to the COVID-19 disaster.*

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2020, I issued a proclamation renewing the disaster declaration for all counties in Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Dr. John Hellerstedt, has determined that COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code, and renewed that determination on April 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, I have issued executive orders and suspensions of Texas laws in response to COVID-19, aimed at protecting the health and safety of Texans and ensuring an effective response to this disaster; and

WHEREAS, many early cases of COVID-19 in the State of Texas were caused by people who transmitted the virus to Texans after traveling here from other states and countries; and

WHEREAS, given the risk of COVID-19 spreading, Dr. Deborah Birx, the White House Coronavirus Response Coordinator, and Dr. Anthony Fauci, a member of the White House Coronavirus Task Force, called for people traveling from the New York metropolitan area to self-quarantine for 14 days; and

WHEREAS, I therefore issued Executive Order GA-11 on March 26, 2020, to impose a mandatory self-quarantine of 14 days for air travelers flying to Texas from certain areas experiencing substantial community spread of COVID-19, including New York and the City of New Orleans, and by proclamation on March 29, 2020, I added the State of Louisiana as well as several other states and cities; and

WHEREAS, I also issued Executive Order GA-12 on March 29, 2020, to impose a mandatory self-quarantine of 14 days for roadway travelers coming to Texas from Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, I have issued several executive orders to impose social-distancing

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restrictions and other obligations on Texans that are aimed at slowing the spread of COVID-19, including Executive Order GA-08, Executive Order GA-14, and Executive Order GA-16; and

WHEREAS, after more than two weeks of heightened restrictions, it was clear that the disease still presented a serious threat across Texas that could persist in certain areas, but also that COVID-19 had wrought havoc on many Texas businesses and workers affected by the restrictions that were necessary to protect human life; and

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2020, I therefore issued executive orders to begin the process of safely and strategically restarting and revitalizing all aspects of the Lone Star State—work, school, entertainment, and culture—including the creation of an advisory strike force to provide recommendations; and

WHEREAS, today, I am expanding the reopening of businesses and services in Texas by issuing Executive Order GA-18 to replace Executive Order GA-16; and

WHEREAS, other states, including Louisiana, have likewise imposed social-distancing restrictions and other obligations on their people that have similarly slowed the spread of COVID-19, making it appropriate to reconsider the scope of the travel restrictions imposed by Executive Order GA-11 and Executive Order GA-12; and

WHEREAS, the “governor is responsible for meeting . . . the dangers to the state and people presented by disasters” under Section 418.011 of the Texas Government Code, and the legislature has given the governor broad authority to fulfill that responsibility; and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.012, the “governor may issue executive orders . . . hav[ing] the force and effect of law;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.017(a), the “governor may use all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with a disaster;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.018(c), the “governor may control ingress and egress to and from a disaster area and the movement of persons and the occupancy of premises in the area;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.173, failure to comply with any executive order issued during the COVID-19 disaster is an offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days, or both fine and confinement.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby order the following on a statewide basis effective at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, May 1, 2020:

Executive Order GA-12 is hereby rescinded and terminated in its entirety. Executive Order GA-11 and the March 29, 2020 proclamation are hereby rescinded and terminated to the extent applicable to travelers from the City of New Orleans or the State of Louisiana. Any mandatory self-quarantine already in effect as a result of these executive orders, to the extent applicable to travelers from the City of New Orleans or the State of Louisiana, is terminated immediately as of the effective date of this executive order.

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Executive Order GA-11 and the March 29, 2020, proclamation are otherwise superseded by this executive order, except that any mandatory self-quarantine already in effect thereunder, as of the effective date of this executive order, shall continue until its expiration as set forth in Executive Order GA-11.

The following restrictions shall remain in place:

Every person who enters the State of Texas as the final destination through an airport, from a point of origin or point of last departure in the following—State of California; State of Connecticut; State of New York; State of New Jersey; State of Washington; City of Atlanta, Georgia; City of Chicago, Illinois; City of Detroit, Michigan; or City of Miami, Florida—shall be subject to mandatory self-quarantine for a period of 14 days from the time of entry into Texas or the duration of the person's presence in Texas, whichever is shorter. The governor may by proclamation add to or subtract from the list of states and cities covered by this executive order. This order to self-quarantine shall not apply to people traveling in connection with military service, emergency response, health response, or critical-infrastructure functions, as may be determined by the Texas Division of Emergency Management. Each person covered under this order to self-quarantine shall be responsible for all associated costs, including transportation, lodging, food, and medical care.

A covered person shall use a form prescribed by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) to designate a quarantine location in Texas, such as a residence or a hotel, and provide a full name, date of birth, home address, telephone number, and driver license or passport information. DPS Troopers, or other approved peace officers, shall collect a completed form from each covered person immediately upon disembarking and verify it against the person's driver license or passport. Providing false information on this form is a criminal offense under Section 37.10 of the Texas Penal Code. Questions about this form should be directed to DPS at (800) 525-5555.

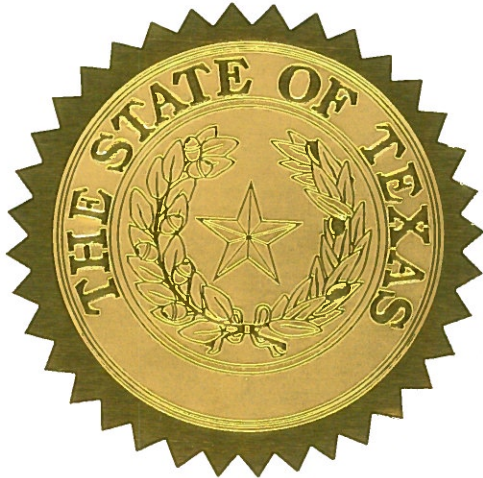
A covered person shall proceed directly from the airport to the designated quarantine location entered on the DPS form. Any covered person exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 shall be escorted to the designated quarantine location by a DPS Trooper.

A covered person shall remain in the designated quarantine location for a period of 14 days or the duration of the person's presence in Texas, whichever is shorter, leaving only to seek medical care or to depart from Texas. During that period, a covered person shall not allow visitors into or out of the designated quarantine location, other than a health department employee, physician, or health care provider, and shall not visit any public spaces.

DPS Special Agents will conduct unannounced visits to designated quarantine locations to verify compliance by confirming the physical presence of covered persons. Any failure to comply with this order to self-quarantine shall be a criminal offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days, or both.

This executive order supersedes Executive Order GA-11 and Executive Order GA-12 as set forth above, but does not supersede Executive Orders GA-10, GA-13, GA-17, GA-18, or GA-19. This executive order shall remain in effect and in full force until modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.

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Given under my hand this the 27 day
of April, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Abbott".

GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:

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RUTH R. HUGHS
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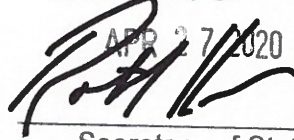
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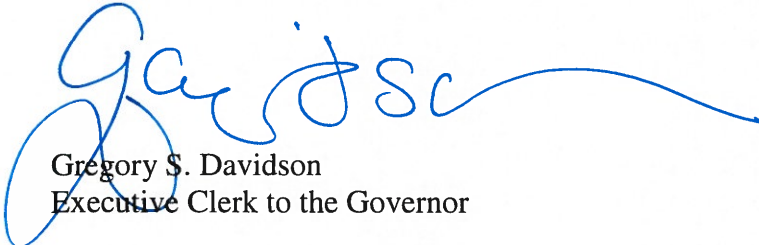
Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

Executive Order No. GA-19 relating to hospital capacity during the COVID-19 disaster.

The original executive order is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

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Executive Order

BY THE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executive Department
Austin, Texas
April 27, 2020

EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 19

Relating to hospital capacity during the COVID-19 disaster.

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2020, I issued a proclamation renewing the disaster declaration for all counties in Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services, Dr. John Hellerstedt, has determined that COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code, and renewed that determination on April 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, I have issued executive orders and suspensions of Texas laws in response to COVID-19, aimed at protecting the health and safety of Texans and ensuring an effective response to this disaster; and

WHEREAS, a shortage of hospital capacity or personal protective equipment would hinder efforts to cope with the COVID-19 disaster; and

WHEREAS, hospital capacity and personal protective equipment were being depleted by ongoing surgeries and procedures; and

WHEREAS, various hospital licensing requirements would stand in the way of implementing increased occupancy in the event of surge needs for hospital capacity due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, I therefore issued Executive Order GA-09 on March 22, 2020, and then superseded it with Executive Order GA-15 on April 17, 2020, in an effort to avoid a shortage of hospital capacity or personal protective equipment; and

WHEREAS, the “governor is responsible for meeting ... the dangers to the state and people presented by disasters” under Section 418.011 of the Texas Government Code, and the legislature has given the governor broad authority to fulfill that responsibility; and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.012, the “governor may issue executive orders ... hav[ing] the force and effect of law;” and

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WHEREAS, under Section 418.016(a), the “governor may suspend the provisions of any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or the orders or rules of a state agency if strict compliance with the provisions, orders, or rules would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with a disaster;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.173, failure to comply with any executive order issued during the COVID-19 disaster is an offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days, or both fine and confinement.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby order the following on a statewide basis beginning at 12:01 a.m. on May 1, 2020:

All licensed health care professionals shall be limited in their practice by, and must comply with, any emergency rules promulgated by their respective licensing agencies dictating minimum standards for safe practice during the COVID-19 disaster.

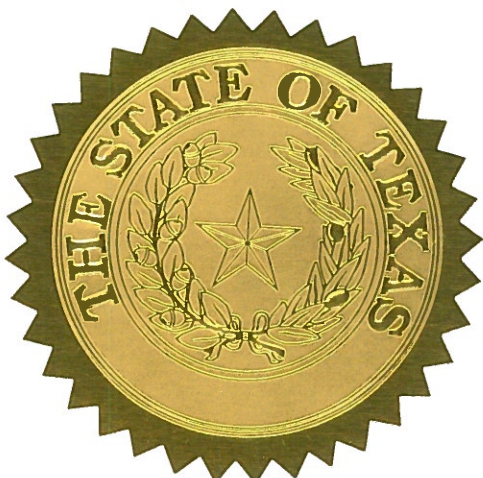
Every hospital licensed under Chapter 241 of the Texas Health and Safety Code shall reserve at least 15 percent of its hospital capacity for treatment of COVID-19 patients, accounting for the range of clinical severity of COVID-19 patients, as determined by the Texas Health and Human Services Commission.

I hereby continue the suspension of the following provisions to the extent necessary to implement increased occupancy in the event of surge needs for hospital capacity due to COVID-19:

25 TAC Sec. 133.162(d)(4)(A)(iii)(I);
25 TAC Sec. 133.163(f)(1)(A)(i)(II)–(III);
25 TAC Sec. 133.163(f)(1)(B)(i)(III)–(IV);
25 TAC Sec. 133.163(m)(1)(B)(ii);
25 TAC Sec. 133.163(t)(1)(B)(iii)–(iv);
25 TAC Sec. 133.163(t)(1)(C);
25 TAC Sec. 133.163(t)(5)(B)–(C); and

Any other pertinent regulations or statutes, upon written approval of the Office of the Governor.

This executive order will supersede Executive Order GA-15 as of 12:01 a.m. on May 1, 2020, but will not supersede Executive Orders GA-10, GA-11, GA-12, GA-13, GA-17, or GA-18. This executive order shall remain in effect and in full force until modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.



Given under my hand this the 27th
day of April, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Abbott".

GREG ABBOTT
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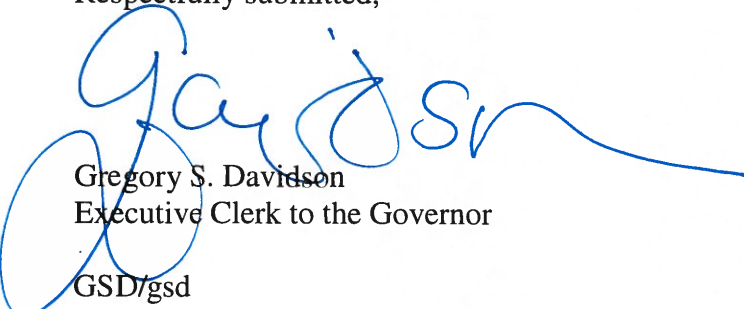
Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

Executive Order No. GA-17 relating to the establishment of the Governor's Strike
Force to Open Texas.

The original executive order is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

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Executive Order

BY THE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executive Department
Austin, Texas
April 17, 2020

EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 17

Relating to the establishment of the Governor's Strike Force to Open Texas.

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2020, I issued a proclamation renewing the disaster declaration for all counties in Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Dr. John Hellerstedt, has determined that COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, I have issued numerous executive orders and suspensions of Texas laws in response to COVID-19, aimed at protecting the health and safety of Texans and ensuring an effective response to this disaster; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order GA-14, issued on March 31, 2020, mandated certain social-distancing restrictions and other obligations for Texans that are aimed at slowing the spread of COVID-19 according to federal guidelines; and

WHEREAS, although many lives have been saved because of social-distancing restrictions like those required by Executive Order GA-14, more than 400 Texans have lost their lives because of COVID-19, and the disease still presents a serious threat across Texas that could persist in certain areas; and

WHEREAS, apart from the threats to health and safety, COVID-19 has also wrought havoc on the many Texas businesses and workers affected by social-distancing restrictions that were necessary to protect human life; and

WHEREAS, over one million unemployment claims have been filed during the COVID-19 disaster by conscientious Texans who want to get back to work as soon as it is safe to do so; and

WHEREAS, Texas must protect lives while restoring livelihoods, both of which can be achieved with the expert advice of medical professionals and business leaders; and

WHEREAS, today I have issued Executive Order GA-16 to replace Executive Order GA-14, and while it generally continues to mandate the same social-distancing restrictions

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and other obligations for Texans according to federal guidelines, Executive Order GA-16 offers a safe, strategic first step to Open Texas by permitting, starting on Friday, April 24, 2020, retail pick-up and delivery services under the strict conditions required by DSHS, and it also makes clear that teachers and staff can return to schools to conduct remote video instruction and perform administrative duties under certain restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the “governor is responsible for meeting ... the dangers to the state and people presented by disasters” under Section 418.011 of the Texas Government Code, and the legislature has given the governor broad authority to fulfill that responsibility; and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.012, the “governor may issue executive orders ... hav[ing] the force and effect of law;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.017(a), the “governor may use all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with a disaster.”

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby order the following:

Creation and Duties. The Governor’s Strike Force to Open Texas, hereafter referred to as the Strike Force, is hereby created to advise the governor on safely and strategically restarting and revitalizing all aspects of the Lone Star State—work, school, entertainment, and culture. The Strike Force will represent a collaboration among medical professionals and public and private leaders, and shall have as its principal charges the following advisory duties, as well as any other advisory tasks assigned by the governor:

1. Study and make recommendations, in consultation with state health officials, for revitalizing the Texas economy during our recovery from the COVID-19 disaster, including without limitation on the following topics:
 - a. Safely reopening Texas businesses across a variety of sectors in a strategic, healthy, and productive manner that protects workers and consumers, especially our most vulnerable populations, while also spurring economic recovery and growth;
 - b. Providing the necessary training and resources, based on White House and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention best practices, to position Texas workers and businesses to recover from and thrive after the COVID-19 disaster;
 - c. Re-stabilizing individuals and families who have been economically affected by the COVID-19 disaster;
 - d. Safely and responsibly revitalizing key Texas institutions, including without limitation those focused on workforce and economic development, education, health care, energy, infrastructure, and arts, culture, and entertainment;
 - e. Maximizing the use of federal funding and other available resources to recharge the Texas economy;
 - f. Restoring health care services for Texans as soon as reasonably practicable for each type of service in light of the health and safety concerns and in consultation with each applicable state regulatory agency;

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- g. Spurring the recovery and growth of small businesses in Texas;
 - h. Advancing economic growth in rural communities in Texas;
 - i. Ensuring fiscal responsibility and accountability in the coming phases of economic revitalization, including the expeditious and efficient deployment of resources provided by the federal government through stimulus programs; and
 - j. Keeping Texas the top destination for businesses looking to move or reopen.
2. Study and make recommendations, in consultation with state health officials, to safely ease restrictions on Texas businesses in the aftermath of the spread of COVID-19, including without limitation the restrictions imposed by my executive orders and those imposed by local officials; and
3. In coordination with the Office of the Governor, collaborate with key partners, including state leaders, state regulatory agencies, local governments and entities, and private-sector professionals, in studying and making recommendations of strategies and best practices for economic revitalization.

Immediate Deadlines. With Executive Order GA-16 set to expire on April 30, 2020, and given my expectation that it will not be extended in its current form, the Strike Force must provide immediate and ongoing recommendations consistent with the advisory duties outlined above, including advice regarding the safe reopening of Texas businesses in a strategic, healthy, and productive manner. This shall include recommendations about any prudent reopening measures that can be implemented between now and May 1, 2020. This advice should include the types of businesses and services to reopen, the extent to which the providers of those services may function, and any restrictions that should be placed upon those services and service providers.

Chief Operating Officer. The governor will designate a chief operating officer of the Strike Force, who will be employed by the Office of the Governor and perform all Strike Force duties as a state employee. The chief operating officer will coordinate Strike Force duties consistent with the provisions of this executive order, and act solely in an advisory capacity as it relates to Strike Force duties.

Chief Medical Advisors Working Group. The Strike Force shall include a working group consisting of chief medical advisors to advise the chief operating officer and other parts of the Strike Force concerning the health and medical evidence relevant to the Strike Force's duties. The chief medical advisors will be invited to serve by the governor. The working group and its members will assist in fulfilling the Strike Force duties, and act solely in an advisory capacity.

Working Groups. The chief operating officer may create such additional working groups, consisting of state, local, and other officials providing their advice and assistance, as the chief operating officer deems appropriate. The additional working groups should address at least the following topics: Workforce, Economic Development, and International Trade; Education; Fiscal Accountability; Energy; Arts, Culture, and Entertainment; Health Care Systems; Infrastructure; and Emergency Management and Supply Chain. These working group members will be invited to serve by the chief operating officer, and each working group will be led by one or more leaders. These working groups and their members will assist in fulfilling the Strike Force duties, and act solely in an advisory capacity.

State Officials. The Lieutenant Governor, the Speaker of the House of

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Representatives, the Attorney General, and the Comptroller have agreed to serve as consulting members of the Strike Force. The governor will consult with the elected state officials as necessary and appropriate concerning advice and recommendations. The elected state officials will act solely in an advisory capacity as it relates to all Strike Force duties.

Meetings. The Strike Force may meet, by telephone or videoconference, at the call of the governor or the chief operating officer. No quorum requirements or meeting formalities shall be required for this advisory body or any of its subparts.

Vacancies and Additions. The governor may invite people to fill any vacancies that occur, may invite additional members, and may create and fill additional Strike Force positions as needed.

Administrative Support. The Office of the Governor shall provide administrative support for the Strike Force. All state agencies are hereby directed to cooperate with and assist the Strike Force in the performance of its duties.

Other Provisions. Any state or local government employees serving on the Strike Force do so in addition to the regular duties of their respective positions. Members of the Strike Force, other than the chief operating officer and any other employees within the Office of the Governor assigned to support the chief operating officer or the Strike Force, shall serve without salary or compensatory per diem. All Strike Force members who are providing their advice and assistance on a volunteer basis are doing so at the request and invitation of the governor and the Office of the Governor. All Strike Force members shall act solely in an advisory capacity. The criminal penalty provisions set forth in any emergency management plan under Section 418.173 of the Texas Government Code do not apply to this executive order.

This executive order shall remain in effect and in full force until modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.



Given under my hand this the 17th
day of April, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Abbott".

GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ruth R. Hughes".

RUTH R. HUGHES
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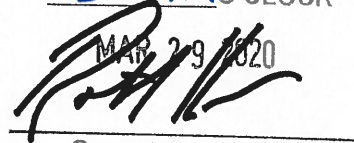


GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

March 29, 2020

The Honorable Ruth R. Hughs
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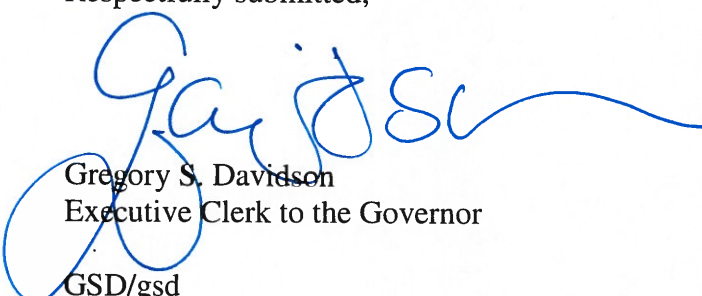
Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

Executive Order No. GA-13 relating to detention in county and municipal jails
during the COVID-19 disaster.

The original executive order is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

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Executive Order

BY THE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executive Department
Austin, Texas
March 29, 2020

EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 13

Relating to detention in county and municipal jails during the COVID-19 disaster.

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services has determined that COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, I have issued numerous executive orders and suspensions of Texas laws in response to the COVID-19 disaster, aimed at protecting the health and safety of Texans and ensuring an effective response to this disaster; and

WHEREAS, the jail population in Texas presents unique challenges in mitigating against and responding to the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, my office has worked with the Texas Commission on Jail Standards and with state and local officials to address these challenges while ensuring public safety for all Texans; and

WHEREAS, several counties are now reportedly considering the broad-scale release of arrested or jailed individuals as a result of COVID-19, including potentially those who have committed felonies, in order to reduce the size of the jail population; and

WHEREAS, such releases from county or municipal jails of those charged with, convicted of, or having a history of offenses involving physical violence or threats of physical violence would not only gravely threaten public safety, but would also hinder efforts to cope with the COVID-19 disaster; and

WHEREAS, a statewide standard is needed to avoid disparate release policies or practices that may endanger the public safety of Texans; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Judicial Council has recently reminded judges that individuals who pose a significant risk to the community or the victim, or who present a significant risk of flight, should be detained, and Texas judges are legally required and oath-bound to determine bail on an individualized basis after considering the factors mandated by

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Article 17.15 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, which does not include the option of releases based solely on concerns or fears surrounding COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the “governor is responsible for meeting ... the dangers to the state and people presented by disasters” under Section 418.011 of the Texas Government Code, and the legislature has given the governor broad authority to fulfill that responsibility; and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.012, the “governor may issue executive orders ... hav[ing] the force and effect of law;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.016(a), in addition to the other powers given, the “governor may suspend the provisions of any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business ... if strict compliance with the provisions ... would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with a disaster;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.017(a), the “governor may use all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with a disaster;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.018(c), the “governor may control ingress and egress to and from a disaster area and the movement of persons and the occupancy of premises in the area.”

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby order the following on a statewide basis effective immediately:

Article 17.03 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, and all other relevant statutes and rules relating to personal bonds, are hereby suspended to the extent necessary to preclude the release on personal bond of any person previously convicted of a crime that involves physical violence or the threat of physical violence, or of any person currently arrested for such a crime that is supported by probable cause. I hereby order that no authority should release on personal bond any person previously convicted of a crime that involves physical violence or the threat of physical violence, or any person currently arrested for such a crime that is supported by probable cause.

Article 17.151 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure is hereby suspended to the extent necessary to prevent any person’s automatic release on personal bond because the State is not ready for trial.

Article 15.21 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure is hereby suspended to the extent necessary to prevent any person’s automatic release on personal bond because the jail of the county where the offense is alleged to have been committed does not take charge of the arrested person before the 11th day after the date the person is committed to the jail of the county in which the person is arrested.

Article 42.032 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, and all other relevant statutes and rules, are hereby suspended to the extent necessary to preclude the grant of commutation of time for good conduct, industry, and obedience to achieve the release of any person who has previously been convicted of or is currently

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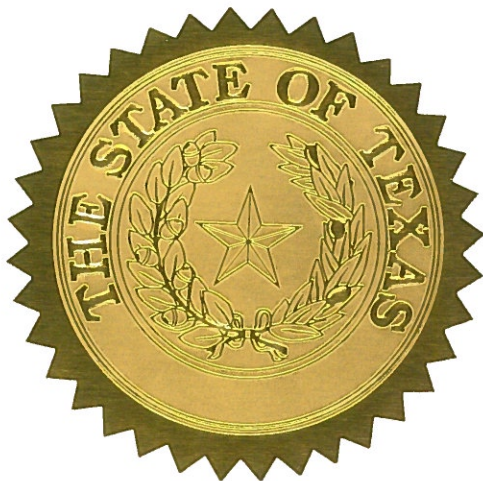
serving a sentence for a crime that involves physical violence or the threat of physical violence. I hereby order that no authority should grant the commutation of time for good conduct, industry, and obedience to achieve the release of any person who has previously been convicted of or is currently serving a sentence for a crime that involves physical violence or the threat of physical violence. This provision does not preclude the accumulation of credit for good conduct, industry, and obedience during the pendency of this executive order.

Article 42.035 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure is hereby suspended to the extent necessary to preclude any release of a person to an electronic monitoring program, rather than being confined in the jail, if the person has previously been convicted of or is currently serving a sentence for a crime that involves physical violence or the threat of physical violence.

Sections 418.1015(b) and 418.108 of the Texas Government Code are hereby suspended to the extent necessary to preclude any county judge or mayor of a municipality, or any emergency management director, from releasing persons under any circumstances inconsistent with this order.

Provided, however, that nothing herein shall prevent the lawful exercise of authority by a county criminal court judge, district judge, or appellate judge in considering release on an individualized basis for health or medical reasons, provided that proper notice is given to the district attorney and an opportunity for hearing is given.

This executive order shall remain in effect and in full force until modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.



Given under my hand this the 29th
day of March, 2020.



GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:



RUTH R. HUGHS
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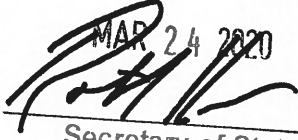
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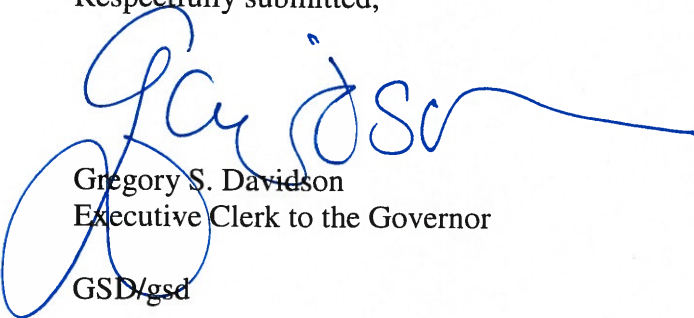
Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

Executive Order No. GA-10 relating to daily reporting during the COVID-19 disaster.

The original executive order is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor
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Executive Order

BY THE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executive Department
Austin, Texas
March 24, 2020

EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 10

Relating to daily reporting during the COVID-19 disaster.

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) has determined that, as of March 19, 2020, COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, I issued Executive Order GA-08 on March 19, 2020, and Executive Order GA-09 on March 22, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 disaster; and

WHEREAS, timely information about COVID-19 testing and hospital bed capacity is crucial to efforts to cope with the COVID-19 disaster; and

WHEREAS, Vice President Mike Pence, leader of the White House Coronavirus Task Force, has requested that every governor in the United States order daily reporting of these crucial pieces of information to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC); and

WHEREAS, the “governor is responsible for meeting . . . the dangers to the state and people presented by disasters” under Section 418.011 of the Texas Government Code, and the legislature has given the governor broad authority to fulfill that responsibility; and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.012, the “governor may issue executive orders . . . hav[ing] the force and effect of law.”

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby order the following on a statewide basis effective 11:59 p.m. on March 24, 2020:

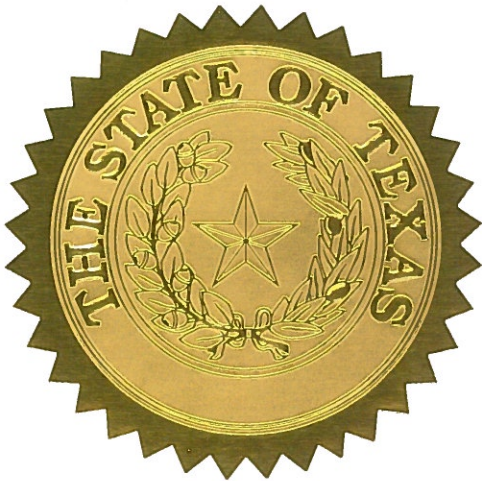
All hospitals licensed under Chapter 241 of the Texas Health and Safety Code, and all Texas state-run hospitals, except for psychiatric hospitals, shall submit to DSHS daily reports of hospital bed capacity, in the manner prescribed by DSHS. DSHS shall promptly share this information with the CDC.

Every public or private entity that is utilizing an FDA-approved test, including an emergency use authorization test, for human diagnostic purposes of COVID-19, shall submit to DSHS, as well as to the local health department, daily reports of all test results, both positive and negative. DSHS shall promptly share this information with the CDC.

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This executive order shall remain in effect and in full force until modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by me or by a succeeding governor.



Given under my hand this the 24th
day of March, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Abbott".

GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ruth R. Hughs".

RUTH R. HUGHS
Secretary of State

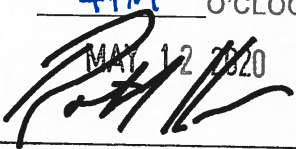
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GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

May 12, 2020

The Honorable Ruth R. Hughs
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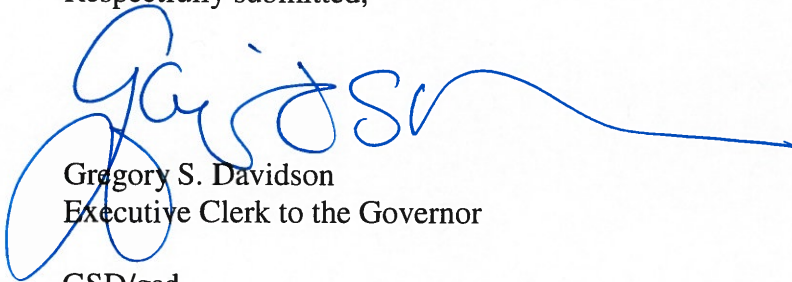
Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

A proclamation renewing the declaration stating that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in Texas.

The original proclamation is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

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PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID- 19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services, Dr. John Hellerstedt, has determined that COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, I have issued executive orders and suspensions of Texas laws in response to COVID-19, aimed at protecting the health and safety of Texans and ensuring an effective response to this disaster; and

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2020, I issued a proclamation renewing the disaster declaration for all Texas counties; and

WHEREAS, a state of disaster continues to exist in all counties due to COVID-19;

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with the authority vested in me by Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code, I do hereby renew the disaster proclamation for all counties in Texas.

Pursuant to Section 418.017, I authorize the use of all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with this disaster.

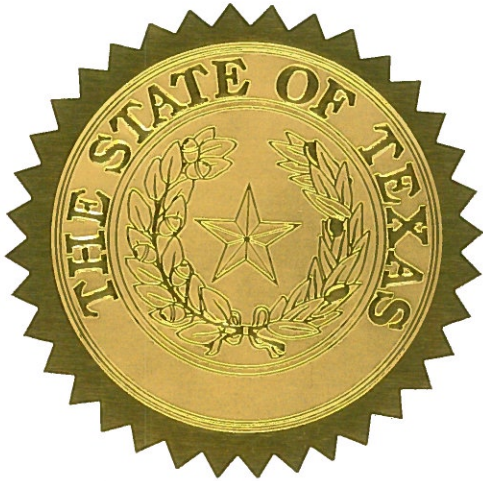
Pursuant to Section 418.016, any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or any order or rule of a state agency that would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with this disaster shall be suspended upon written approval of the Office of the Governor. However, to the extent that the enforcement of any state statute or administrative rule regarding contracting or procurement would impede any state agency's emergency response that is necessary to cope with this declared disaster, I hereby suspend such statutes and rules for the duration of this declared disaster for that limited purpose.

In accordance with the statutory requirements, copies of this proclamation shall be filed with the applicable authorities.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have
hereunto signed my name and have
officially caused the Seal of State to be
affixed at my office in the City of

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Austin, Texas, this the 12th day of
May, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Greg Abbott", written over a horizontal line.

GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ruth R. Hughs", written over a horizontal line.

RUTH R. HUGHS
Secretary of State

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**AMENDMENT NO. 4
TO
EXHIBIT F
To Ordinance No. 4773**

NOTE: This Amendment No. 4 to Exhibit F has been updated and replaced.

SEE AMENDMENT No. 5 to EXHIBIT F (Page 368).

Governor's Statewide Orders:

- Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-22 (Superseding on Confinement)
- Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-21 (Superseding GA-18)
- Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-20 (Superseding GA-11 and GA-12)
- Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-19 (Superseding GA-15)
- Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-17
- Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-13
- Governor Abbott's Executive Order GA-10
- Proclamation – Declaring State of Disaster

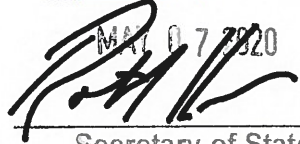


GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

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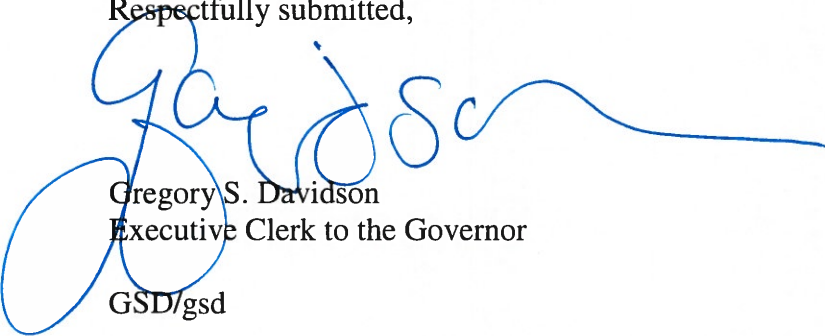
Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

Executive Order No. GA-22 relating to confinement during the COVID-19 disaster.

The original executive order is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

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Executive Order

BY THE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executive Department
Austin, Texas
May 7, 2020

EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 22

Relating to confinement during the COVID-19 disaster.

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2020, I issued a proclamation renewing the disaster declaration for all counties in Texas; and

WHEREAS, I have issued executive orders and suspensions of Texas laws in response to COVID-19, aimed at protecting the health and safety of Texans and ensuring an effective response to this disaster; and

WHEREAS, effective April 2, 2020, Executive Order GA-14 mandated certain social-distancing restrictions and other obligations for Texans that were aimed at slowing the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on May 5, 2020, I issued Executive Order GA-21 to expand the services reopened in Texas to include cosmetology salons, hair salons, barber shops, nail salons/shops, and other establishments where licensed cosmetologists or barbers practice their trade; and

WHEREAS, in coping with the COVID-19 disaster, and especially as services are being reopened in Texas in a safe, strategic manner, government officials should look for the least restrictive means of combatting the threat to public health; and

WHEREAS, the “governor is responsible for meeting ... the dangers to the state and people presented by disasters” under Section 418.011 of the Texas Government Code, and the legislature has given the governor broad authority to fulfill that responsibility; and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.012, the “governor may issue executive orders ... hav[ing] the force and effect of law;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.017(a), the “governor may use all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with a disaster.”

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and

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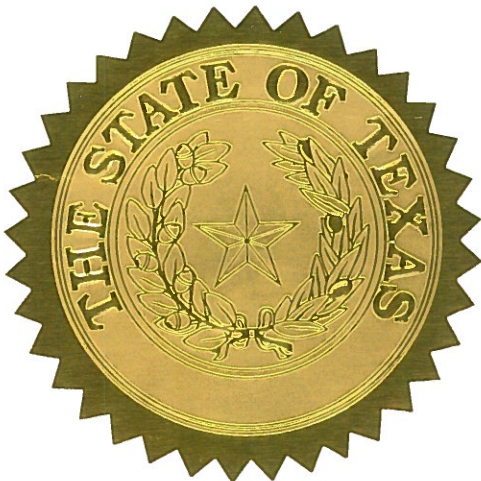
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authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby order the following on a statewide basis effective immediately:

Executive Order GA-21, as it pertains to cosmetology salons, hair salons, barber shops, nail salons/shops, and other establishments where licensed cosmetologists or barbers practice their trade, is hereby amended to immediately reopen, retroactive to April 2, 2020, such salons, shops, and establishments to the extent necessary to supersede and nullify the existence of any prior or existing state or local executive order, the violation of which could form the basis for confinement in jail. To the extent any order issued by local officials in response to COVID-19 would allow confinement in jail of a person inconsistent with Executive Order GA-21 or this executive order, that order is hereby superseded retroactive to April 2, 2020.

All existing executive orders relating to COVID-19 are hereby amended to eliminate confinement in jail as an available penalty for any violation of the executive orders. No jurisdiction can confine a person in jail as a penalty for violating any executive order, or any order issued by local officials, in response to the COVID-19 disaster. To the extent any order issued by local officials in response to the COVID-19 disaster would allow confinement in jail, that order is hereby superseded, and I hereby suspend all relevant laws to the extent necessary to ensure that local officials do not confine people in jail for violating any order issued in response to the COVID-19 disaster. This amendment and suspension operates retroactively to April 2, 2020, and supersedes any contrary local or state order.

This executive order shall remain in effect and in full force until modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.



Given under my hand this the 7th
day of May, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Greg Abbott", written over a horizontal line.

GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ruth R. Hughs", written over a horizontal line.

RUTH R. HUGHS
Secretary of State

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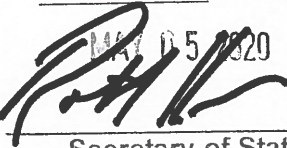


GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

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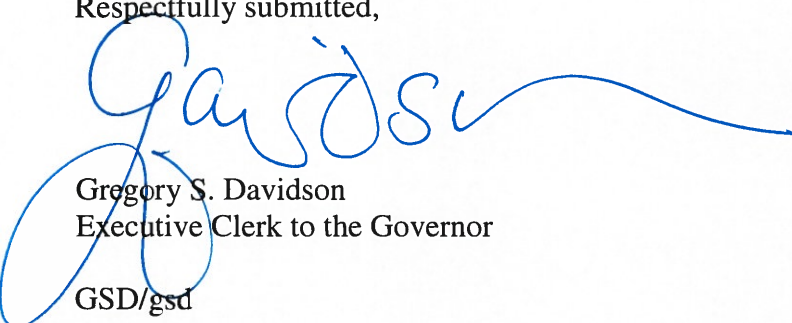
Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

Executive Order No. GA-21 relating to the expanded reopening of services as part
of the safe, strategic plan to Open Texas in response to the COVID-19 disaster.

The original executive order is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

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Executive Order

BY THE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executive Department
Austin, Texas
May 5, 2020

EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 21

Relating to the expanded reopening of services as part of the safe, strategic plan to Open Texas in response to the COVID-19 disaster.

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2020, I issued a proclamation renewing the disaster declaration for all counties in Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Dr. John Hellerstedt, has determined that COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code, and renewed that determination on April 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, I have issued executive orders and suspensions of Texas laws in response to COVID-19, aimed at protecting the health and safety of Texans and ensuring an effective response to this disaster; and

WHEREAS, I issued Executive Order GA-08 on March 19, 2020, mandating certain obligations for Texans in accordance with the President's Coronavirus Guidelines for America, as promulgated by President Donald J. Trump and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on March 16, 2020, which called upon Americans to take actions to slow the spread of COVID-19 for 15 days; and

WHEREAS, I issued Executive Order GA-14 on March 31, 2020, based on the President's announcement that the restrictive Guidelines should extend through April 30, 2020, in light of advice from Dr. Anthony Fauci and Dr. Deborah Birx, and also based on guidance by DSHS Commissioner Dr. Hellerstedt and Dr. Birx that the spread of COVID-19 can be reduced by minimizing social gatherings; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order GA-14 superseded Executive Order GA-08 and expanded the social-distancing restrictions and other obligations for Texans, aimed at slowing the spread of COVID-19 and protecting public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, after more than two weeks of having in effect the heightened restrictions like those required by Executive Order GA-14, which had saved lives, it was clear that the disease still presented a serious threat across Texas that could persist in certain areas, but also that COVID-19 had wrought havoc on many Texas businesses and workers

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affected by the restrictions that were necessary to protect human life; and

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2020, I therefore issued Executive Order GA-17, creating the Governor's Strike Force to Open Texas to study and make recommendations on safely and strategically restarting and revitalizing all aspects of the Lone Star State—work, school, entertainment, and culture; and

WHEREAS, also on April 17, 2020, I issued Executive Order GA-16 to generally continue through April 30, 2020, the same social-distancing restrictions and other obligations for Texans according to federal guidelines, but also to offer a safe, strategic first step to Open Texas, including permitting retail pick-up and delivery services; and

WHEREAS, I subsequently issued Executive Order GA-18 on April 27, 2020, to expand the services that are reopened in Texas, including allowing in-store retail and dine-in restaurant services at establishments operating within specific capacity limits; and

WHEREAS, as normal business operations resume, everyone must act safely, and to that end Executive Order GA-18 and this executive order provide that all persons should follow the health protocols recommended by DSHS, which whenever achieved will mean compliance with the minimum standards for safely reopening, but which should not be used to fault those who act in good faith but can only substantially comply with the standards in light of scarce resources and other extenuating COVID-19 circumstances; and

WHEREAS, Texas must continue to protect lives while restoring livelihoods, both of which can be achieved with the expert advice of medical professionals and business leaders; and

WHEREAS, the “governor is responsible for meeting ... the dangers to the state and people presented by disasters” under Section 418.011 of the Texas Government Code, and the legislature has given the governor broad authority to fulfill that responsibility; and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.012, the “governor may issue executive orders ... hav[ing] the force and effect of law;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.016(a), the “governor may suspend the provisions of any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business ... if strict compliance with the provisions ... would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with a disaster;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.017(a), the “governor may use all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with a disaster;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.018(c), the “governor may control ingress and egress to and from a disaster area and the movement of persons and the occupancy of premises in the area;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.173, failure to comply with any executive order issued during the COVID-19 disaster is an offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days, or both fine and confinement.

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NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby order the following on a statewide basis effective immediately, and continuing through May 19, 2020, subject to extension based on the status of COVID-19 in Texas and the recommendations of the Governor's Strike Force to Open Texas, the White House Coronavirus Task Force, and the CDC:

In accordance with guidance from DSHS Commissioner Dr. Hellerstedt, and to achieve the goals established by the President to reduce the spread of COVID-19, every person in Texas shall, except where necessary to provide or obtain essential services or reopened services, minimize social gatherings and minimize in-person contact with people who are not in the same household. People over the age of 65, however, are strongly encouraged to stay at home as much as possible; to maintain appropriate distance from any member of the household who has been out of the residence in the previous 14 days; and, if leaving the home, to implement social distancing and to practice good hygiene, environmental cleanliness, and sanitation.

"Essential services" shall consist of everything listed by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 3.0 or any subsequent version, plus religious services conducted in churches, congregations, and houses of worship. Other essential services may be added to this list with the approval of the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM). TDEM shall maintain an online list of essential services, as specified in this executive order and any approved additions. Requests for additions should be directed to TDEM at EssentialServices@tdem.texas.gov or by visiting the TDEM website at www.tdem.texas.gov/essentialservices.

"Reopened services" shall consist of the following to the extent they are not already "essential services:"

1. Retail services that may be provided through pick-up, delivery by mail, or delivery to the customer's doorstep.
2. In-store retail services, for retail establishments that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the retail establishment.
3. Dine-in restaurant services, for restaurants that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the restaurant; provided, however, that
 - a. this applies only to restaurants that have less than 51 percent of their gross receipts from the sale of alcoholic beverages;
 - b. the occupancy limits do not apply to customers seated in outdoor areas of the restaurant; and
 - c. valet services are prohibited except for vehicles with placards or plates for disabled parking.
4. Movie theaters that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of any individual theater for any screening.
5. Shopping malls that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the shopping mall; provided, however, that within shopping malls, the food-court dining areas, play areas, and interactive displays and settings must remain closed.
6. Museums and libraries that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy; provided, however, that
 - a. local public museums and local public libraries may so operate only if permitted by the local government, and
 - b. any components of museums or libraries that have interactive functions or exhibits, including child play areas, must remain closed.

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7. Services provided by an individual working alone in an office, effective until 12:01 a.m. on Monday, May 18, 2020, when this single-person office provision is superseded by the expanded office-based services provision set forth below.
8. Golf course operations.
9. Local government operations, including county and municipal governmental operations relating to permitting, recordation, and document-filing services, as determined by the local government.
10. Wedding venues and the services required to conduct weddings; provided, however, that for weddings held indoors other than at a church, congregation, or house of worship, the facility may operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the facility.
11. Wedding reception services, for facilities that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the facility; provided, however, that the occupancy limits do not apply to the outdoor areas of a wedding reception or to outdoor wedding receptions.
12. Starting at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, May 8, 2020:
 - a. Cosmetology salons, hair salons, barber shops, nail salons/shops, and other establishments where licensed cosmetologists or barbers practice their trade; provided, however, that all such salons, shops, and establishments must ensure at least six feet of social distancing between operating work stations.
 - b. Tanning salons; provided, however, that all such salons must ensure at least six feet of social distancing between operating work stations.
 - c. Swimming pools; provided, however, that (i) indoor swimming pools may operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the pool facility; (ii) outdoor swimming pools may operate at up to 25 percent of normal operating limits as determined by the pool operator; and (iii) local public swimming pools may so operate only if permitted by the local government.
13. Starting at 12:01 a.m. on Monday, May 18, 2020:
 - a. Services provided by office workers in offices that operate at up to the greater of (i) five individuals, or (ii) 25 percent of the total office workforce; provided, however, that the individuals maintain appropriate social distancing.
 - b. Manufacturing services, for facilities that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the facility.
 - c. Gyms and exercise facilities and classes that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the gym or exercise facility; provided, however, that locker rooms and shower facilities must remain closed, but restrooms may open.
14. For Texas counties that have filed with DSHS, and are in compliance with, the requisite attestation form promulgated by DSHS regarding five or fewer cases of COVID-19, those in-store retail services, dine-in restaurant services, movie theaters, shopping malls, museums and libraries, indoor wedding venues, wedding reception services, swimming pools, services provided by office workers in offices of more than five individuals, manufacturing services, and gyms and exercise facilities and classes, as otherwise defined and limited above, may operate at up to 50 percent (as opposed to 25 percent).
15. Such additional services as may be enumerated by future executive orders or proclamations by the governor.

The conditions and limitations set forth above for reopened services shall not apply to essential services. The total listed occupancy limits described above refer to the maximum occupant load set by local or state law, but for purposes of this executive

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order, staff members are not included in determining operating levels except for non-essential manufacturing service providers and services provided by office workers. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the governor may by proclamation identify any county or counties in which reopened services are thereafter prohibited, in the governor's sole discretion, based on the governor's determination in consultation with medical professionals that only essential services should be permitted in the county, including based on factors such as an increase in the transmission of COVID-19 or in the amount of COVID-19-related hospitalizations or fatalities.

In providing or obtaining essential services or reopened services, all persons (including individuals, businesses and other organizations, and any other legal entity) should use good-faith efforts and available resources to follow the minimum standard health protocols recommended by DSHS, found at www.dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus. All persons should also follow, to the extent not inconsistent with the DSHS minimum standards, the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, as well as other CDC recommendations. Individuals are encouraged to wear appropriate face coverings, but no jurisdiction can impose a civil or criminal penalty for failure to wear a face covering. Nothing in this executive order or the DSHS minimum standards precludes requiring a customer wishing to obtain services to follow additional hygiene measures.

Religious services should be conducted in accordance with the joint guidance issued and updated by the attorney general and governor.

People shall avoid visiting bars, massage establishments, tattoo studios, piercing studios, sexually oriented businesses, or interactive amusement venues such as bowling alleys, video arcades, amusement parks, water parks, or splash pads, unless these enumerated establishments or venues are specifically added as a reopened service by proclamation or future executive order of the governor. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the governor may by proclamation add to this list of establishments or venues that people shall avoid visiting. To the extent any of the establishments or venues that people shall avoid visiting also offer reopened services permitted above, such as restaurant services, these establishments or venues can offer only the reopened services and may not offer any other services. The use of drive-thru, pickup, or delivery options for food and drinks remains allowed and highly encouraged throughout the limited duration of this executive order.

This executive order does not prohibit people from accessing essential or reopened services or engaging in essential daily activities, such as going to the grocery store or gas station; providing or obtaining other essential or reopened services; visiting swimming pools, parks, beaches, rivers, or lakes; hunting or fishing; or engaging in physical activity like jogging, bicycling, or other outdoor sports, so long as the necessary precautions are maintained to reduce the transmission of COVID-19 and to minimize in-person contact with people who are not in the same household.

In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, people shall not visit nursing homes, state supported living centers, assisted living facilities, or long-term care facilities unless to provide critical assistance as determined through guidance from the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC). Nursing homes, state supported living centers, assisted living facilities, and long-term care facilities should follow infection control policies and practices set forth by the HHSC, including minimizing the movement of staff between facilities whenever possible.

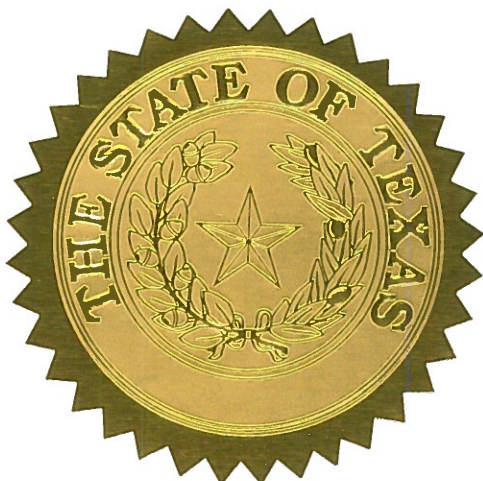
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In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, schools shall remain temporarily closed to in-person classroom attendance by students and shall not recommence before the end of the 2019-2020 school year, except that a student (accompanied by an adult if needed) may, as allowed by the school consistent with the minimum standard health protocols found in guidance issued by the Texas Education Agency (TEA), visit his or her school campus (a) for limited non-instructional administrative tasks such as cleaning out lockers, collecting personal belongings, and returning school items like band instruments and books; or (b) for graduating seniors, to complete post-secondary requirements that cannot be accomplished absent access to the school facility and its resources, excluding any activity or assessment which can be done virtually. Public education teachers and staff are encouraged to continue to work remotely from home if possible, but may return to schools to conduct remote video instruction, as well as perform administrative duties, under the minimum standard health protocols found in guidance issued by the TEA. Private schools and institutions of higher education should establish similar standards to allow teachers and staff to return to schools to conduct remote video instruction and perform administrative duties when it is not possible to do so remotely from home. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, schools may conduct graduation ceremonies consistent with the minimum standard health protocols found in guidance issued by the TEA. Nothing in this executive order, the DSHS minimum standards, or the joint guidance issued and updated by the attorney general and governor precludes churches, congregations, and houses of worship from using school campuses for their religious services or other allowed services.

This executive order shall supersede any conflicting order issued by local officials in response to the COVID-19 disaster, but only to the extent that such a local order restricts essential services or reopened services allowed by this executive order, allows gatherings prohibited by this executive order, or expands the list of essential services or the list or scope of reopened services as set forth in this executive order. I hereby suspend Sections 418.1015(b) and 418.108 of the Texas Government Code, Chapter 81, Subchapter E of the Texas Health and Safety Code, and any other relevant statutes, to the extent necessary to ensure that local officials do not impose restrictions in response to the COVID-19 disaster that are inconsistent with this executive order, provided that local officials may enforce this executive order as well as local restrictions that are consistent with this executive order.

This executive order supersedes Executive Order GA-18, but does not supersede Executive Orders GA-10, GA-13, GA-17, GA-19, or GA-20. This executive order shall remain in effect and in full force until 11:59 p.m. on May 19, 2020, unless it is modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.



Given under my hand this the 5th
day of May, 2020.


A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Abbott".

GREG ABBOTT
Governor

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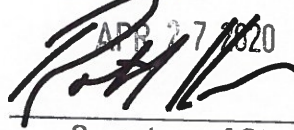
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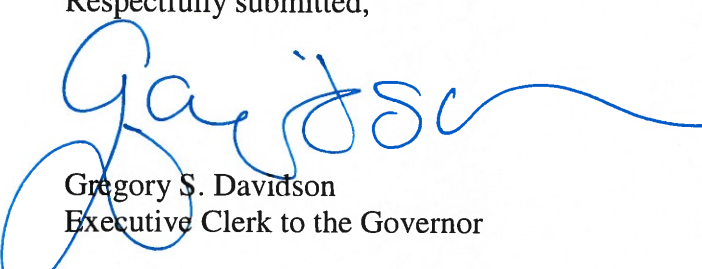
Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

Executive Order No. GA-20 relating to expanding travel without restrictions as part of the safe, strategic plan to Open Texas in response to the COVID-19 disaster.

The original executive order is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

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Executive Order

BY THE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executive Department
Austin, Texas
April 27, 2020

EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 20

*Relating to expanding travel without restrictions as part of the safe, strategic plan to
Open Texas in response to the COVID-19 disaster.*

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2020, I issued a proclamation renewing the disaster declaration for all counties in Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Dr. John Hellerstedt, has determined that COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code, and renewed that determination on April 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, I have issued executive orders and suspensions of Texas laws in response to COVID-19, aimed at protecting the health and safety of Texans and ensuring an effective response to this disaster; and

WHEREAS, many early cases of COVID-19 in the State of Texas were caused by people who transmitted the virus to Texans after traveling here from other states and countries; and

WHEREAS, given the risk of COVID-19 spreading, Dr. Deborah Birx, the White House Coronavirus Response Coordinator, and Dr. Anthony Fauci, a member of the White House Coronavirus Task Force, called for people traveling from the New York metropolitan area to self-quarantine for 14 days; and

WHEREAS, I therefore issued Executive Order GA-11 on March 26, 2020, to impose a mandatory self-quarantine of 14 days for air travelers flying to Texas from certain areas experiencing substantial community spread of COVID-19, including New York and the City of New Orleans, and by proclamation on March 29, 2020, I added the State of Louisiana as well as several other states and cities; and

WHEREAS, I also issued Executive Order GA-12 on March 29, 2020, to impose a mandatory self-quarantine of 14 days for roadway travelers coming to Texas from Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, I have issued several executive orders to impose social-distancing

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restrictions and other obligations on Texans that are aimed at slowing the spread of COVID-19, including Executive Order GA-08, Executive Order GA-14, and Executive Order GA-16; and

WHEREAS, after more than two weeks of heightened restrictions, it was clear that the disease still presented a serious threat across Texas that could persist in certain areas, but also that COVID-19 had wrought havoc on many Texas businesses and workers affected by the restrictions that were necessary to protect human life; and

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2020, I therefore issued executive orders to begin the process of safely and strategically restarting and revitalizing all aspects of the Lone Star State—work, school, entertainment, and culture—including the creation of an advisory strike force to provide recommendations; and

WHEREAS, today, I am expanding the reopening of businesses and services in Texas by issuing Executive Order GA-18 to replace Executive Order GA-16; and

WHEREAS, other states, including Louisiana, have likewise imposed social-distancing restrictions and other obligations on their people that have similarly slowed the spread of COVID-19, making it appropriate to reconsider the scope of the travel restrictions imposed by Executive Order GA-11 and Executive Order GA-12; and

WHEREAS, the “governor is responsible for meeting . . . the dangers to the state and people presented by disasters” under Section 418.011 of the Texas Government Code, and the legislature has given the governor broad authority to fulfill that responsibility; and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.012, the “governor may issue executive orders . . . hav[ing] the force and effect of law;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.017(a), the “governor may use all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with a disaster;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.018(c), the “governor may control ingress and egress to and from a disaster area and the movement of persons and the occupancy of premises in the area;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.173, failure to comply with any executive order issued during the COVID-19 disaster is an offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days, or both fine and confinement.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby order the following on a statewide basis effective at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, May 1, 2020:

Executive Order GA-12 is hereby rescinded and terminated in its entirety. Executive Order GA-11 and the March 29, 2020 proclamation are hereby rescinded and terminated to the extent applicable to travelers from the City of New Orleans or the State of Louisiana. Any mandatory self-quarantine already in effect as a result of these executive orders, to the extent applicable to travelers from the City of New Orleans or the State of Louisiana, is terminated immediately as of the effective date of this executive order.

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Executive Order GA-11 and the March 29, 2020, proclamation are otherwise superseded by this executive order, except that any mandatory self-quarantine already in effect thereunder, as of the effective date of this executive order, shall continue until its expiration as set forth in Executive Order GA-11.

The following restrictions shall remain in place:

Every person who enters the State of Texas as the final destination through an airport, from a point of origin or point of last departure in the following—State of California; State of Connecticut; State of New York; State of New Jersey; State of Washington; City of Atlanta, Georgia; City of Chicago, Illinois; City of Detroit, Michigan; or City of Miami, Florida—shall be subject to mandatory self-quarantine for a period of 14 days from the time of entry into Texas or the duration of the person's presence in Texas, whichever is shorter. The governor may by proclamation add to or subtract from the list of states and cities covered by this executive order. This order to self-quarantine shall not apply to people traveling in connection with military service, emergency response, health response, or critical-infrastructure functions, as may be determined by the Texas Division of Emergency Management. Each person covered under this order to self-quarantine shall be responsible for all associated costs, including transportation, lodging, food, and medical care.

A covered person shall use a form prescribed by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) to designate a quarantine location in Texas, such as a residence or a hotel, and provide a full name, date of birth, home address, telephone number, and driver license or passport information. DPS Troopers, or other approved peace officers, shall collect a completed form from each covered person immediately upon disembarking and verify it against the person's driver license or passport. Providing false information on this form is a criminal offense under Section 37.10 of the Texas Penal Code. Questions about this form should be directed to DPS at (800) 525-5555.

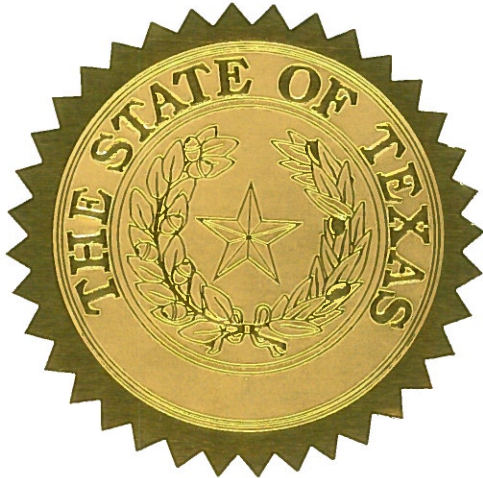
A covered person shall proceed directly from the airport to the designated quarantine location entered on the DPS form. Any covered person exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 shall be escorted to the designated quarantine location by a DPS Trooper.

A covered person shall remain in the designated quarantine location for a period of 14 days or the duration of the person's presence in Texas, whichever is shorter, leaving only to seek medical care or to depart from Texas. During that period, a covered person shall not allow visitors into or out of the designated quarantine location, other than a health department employee, physician, or health care provider, and shall not visit any public spaces.

DPS Special Agents will conduct unannounced visits to designated quarantine locations to verify compliance by confirming the physical presence of covered persons. Any failure to comply with this order to self-quarantine shall be a criminal offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days, or both.

This executive order supersedes Executive Order GA-11 and Executive Order GA-12 as set forth above, but does not supersede Executive Orders GA-10, GA-13, GA-17, GA-18, or GA-19. This executive order shall remain in effect and in full force until modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.

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Given under my hand this the 27 day
of April, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Greg Abbott".

GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:

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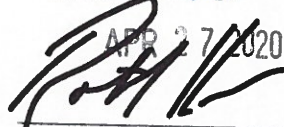
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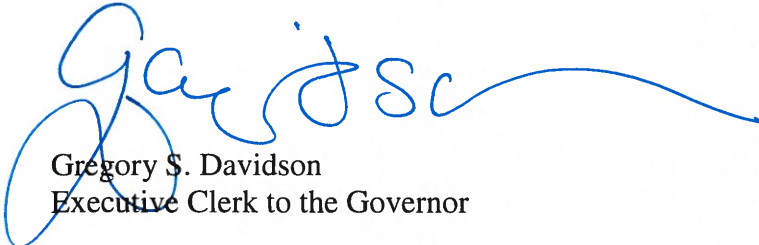
Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

Executive Order No. GA-19 relating to hospital capacity during the COVID-19 disaster.

The original executive order is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

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Executive Order

BY THE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executive Department
Austin, Texas
April 27, 2020

EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 19

Relating to hospital capacity during the COVID-19 disaster.

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2020, I issued a proclamation renewing the disaster declaration for all counties in Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services, Dr. John Hellerstedt, has determined that COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code, and renewed that determination on April 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, I have issued executive orders and suspensions of Texas laws in response to COVID-19, aimed at protecting the health and safety of Texans and ensuring an effective response to this disaster; and

WHEREAS, a shortage of hospital capacity or personal protective equipment would hinder efforts to cope with the COVID-19 disaster; and

WHEREAS, hospital capacity and personal protective equipment were being depleted by ongoing surgeries and procedures; and

WHEREAS, various hospital licensing requirements would stand in the way of implementing increased occupancy in the event of surge needs for hospital capacity due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, I therefore issued Executive Order GA-09 on March 22, 2020, and then superseded it with Executive Order GA-15 on April 17, 2020, in an effort to avoid a shortage of hospital capacity or personal protective equipment; and

WHEREAS, the “governor is responsible for meeting ... the dangers to the state and people presented by disasters” under Section 418.011 of the Texas Government Code, and the legislature has given the governor broad authority to fulfill that responsibility; and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.012, the “governor may issue executive orders ... hav[ing] the force and effect of law;” and

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WHEREAS, under Section 418.016(a), the “governor may suspend the provisions of any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or the orders or rules of a state agency if strict compliance with the provisions, orders, or rules would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with a disaster;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.173, failure to comply with any executive order issued during the COVID-19 disaster is an offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days, or both fine and confinement.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby order the following on a statewide basis beginning at 12:01 a.m. on May 1, 2020:

All licensed health care professionals shall be limited in their practice by, and must comply with, any emergency rules promulgated by their respective licensing agencies dictating minimum standards for safe practice during the COVID-19 disaster.

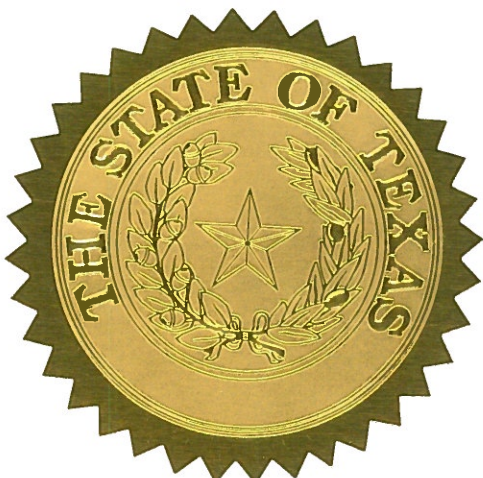
Every hospital licensed under Chapter 241 of the Texas Health and Safety Code shall reserve at least 15 percent of its hospital capacity for treatment of COVID-19 patients, accounting for the range of clinical severity of COVID-19 patients, as determined by the Texas Health and Human Services Commission.

I hereby continue the suspension of the following provisions to the extent necessary to implement increased occupancy in the event of surge needs for hospital capacity due to COVID-19:

25 TAC Sec. 133.162(d)(4)(A)(iii)(I);
25 TAC Sec. 133.163(f)(1)(A)(i)(II)–(III);
25 TAC Sec. 133.163(f)(1)(B)(i)(III)–(IV);
25 TAC Sec. 133.163(m)(1)(B)(ii);
25 TAC Sec. 133.163(t)(1)(B)(iii)–(iv);
25 TAC Sec. 133.163(t)(1)(C);
25 TAC Sec. 133.163(t)(5)(B)–(C); and

Any other pertinent regulations or statutes, upon written approval of the Office of the Governor.

This executive order will supersede Executive Order GA-15 as of 12:01 a.m. on May 1, 2020, but will not supersede Executive Orders GA-10, GA-11, GA-12, GA-13, GA-17, or GA-18. This executive order shall remain in effect and in full force until modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.



Given under my hand this the 27th
day of April, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Abbott".

GREG ABBOTT
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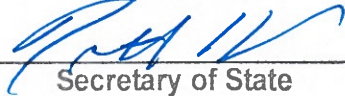


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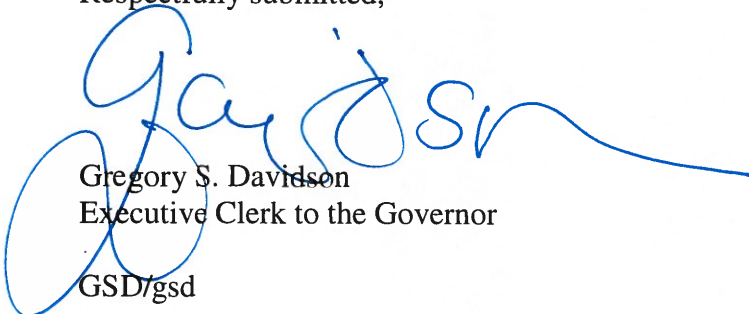
Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

Executive Order No. GA-17 relating to the establishment of the Governor's Strike
Force to Open Texas.

The original executive order is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor
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Executive Order

BY THE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executive Department
Austin, Texas
April 17, 2020

EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 17

Relating to the establishment of the Governor's Strike Force to Open Texas.

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2020, I issued a proclamation renewing the disaster declaration for all counties in Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Dr. John Hellerstedt, has determined that COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, I have issued numerous executive orders and suspensions of Texas laws in response to COVID-19, aimed at protecting the health and safety of Texans and ensuring an effective response to this disaster; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order GA-14, issued on March 31, 2020, mandated certain social-distancing restrictions and other obligations for Texans that are aimed at slowing the spread of COVID-19 according to federal guidelines; and

WHEREAS, although many lives have been saved because of social-distancing restrictions like those required by Executive Order GA-14, more than 400 Texans have lost their lives because of COVID-19, and the disease still presents a serious threat across Texas that could persist in certain areas; and

WHEREAS, apart from the threats to health and safety, COVID-19 has also wrought havoc on the many Texas businesses and workers affected by social-distancing restrictions that were necessary to protect human life; and

WHEREAS, over one million unemployment claims have been filed during the COVID-19 disaster by conscientious Texans who want to get back to work as soon as it is safe to do so; and

WHEREAS, Texas must protect lives while restoring livelihoods, both of which can be achieved with the expert advice of medical professionals and business leaders; and

WHEREAS, today I have issued Executive Order GA-16 to replace Executive Order GA-14, and while it generally continues to mandate the same social-distancing restrictions

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and other obligations for Texans according to federal guidelines, Executive Order GA-16 offers a safe, strategic first step to Open Texas by permitting, starting on Friday, April 24, 2020, retail pick-up and delivery services under the strict conditions required by DSHS, and it also makes clear that teachers and staff can return to schools to conduct remote video instruction and perform administrative duties under certain restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the “governor is responsible for meeting ... the dangers to the state and people presented by disasters” under Section 418.011 of the Texas Government Code, and the legislature has given the governor broad authority to fulfill that responsibility; and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.012, the “governor may issue executive orders ... hav[ing] the force and effect of law;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.017(a), the “governor may use all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with a disaster.”

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby order the following:

Creation and Duties. The Governor’s Strike Force to Open Texas, hereafter referred to as the Strike Force, is hereby created to advise the governor on safely and strategically restarting and revitalizing all aspects of the Lone Star State—work, school, entertainment, and culture. The Strike Force will represent a collaboration among medical professionals and public and private leaders, and shall have as its principal charges the following advisory duties, as well as any other advisory tasks assigned by the governor:

1. Study and make recommendations, in consultation with state health officials, for revitalizing the Texas economy during our recovery from the COVID-19 disaster, including without limitation on the following topics:
 - a. Safely reopening Texas businesses across a variety of sectors in a strategic, healthy, and productive manner that protects workers and consumers, especially our most vulnerable populations, while also spurring economic recovery and growth;
 - b. Providing the necessary training and resources, based on White House and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention best practices, to position Texas workers and businesses to recover from and thrive after the COVID-19 disaster;
 - c. Re-stabilizing individuals and families who have been economically affected by the COVID-19 disaster;
 - d. Safely and responsibly revitalizing key Texas institutions, including without limitation those focused on workforce and economic development, education, health care, energy, infrastructure, and arts, culture, and entertainment;
 - e. Maximizing the use of federal funding and other available resources to recharge the Texas economy;
 - f. Restoring health care services for Texans as soon as reasonably practicable for each type of service in light of the health and safety concerns and in consultation with each applicable state regulatory agency;

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- g. Spurring the recovery and growth of small businesses in Texas;
 - h. Advancing economic growth in rural communities in Texas;
 - i. Ensuring fiscal responsibility and accountability in the coming phases of economic revitalization, including the expeditious and efficient deployment of resources provided by the federal government through stimulus programs; and
 - j. Keeping Texas the top destination for businesses looking to move or reopen.
2. Study and make recommendations, in consultation with state health officials, to safely ease restrictions on Texas businesses in the aftermath of the spread of COVID-19, including without limitation the restrictions imposed by my executive orders and those imposed by local officials; and
3. In coordination with the Office of the Governor, collaborate with key partners, including state leaders, state regulatory agencies, local governments and entities, and private-sector professionals, in studying and making recommendations of strategies and best practices for economic revitalization.

Immediate Deadlines. With Executive Order GA-16 set to expire on April 30, 2020, and given my expectation that it will not be extended in its current form, the Strike Force must provide immediate and ongoing recommendations consistent with the advisory duties outlined above, including advice regarding the safe reopening of Texas businesses in a strategic, healthy, and productive manner. This shall include recommendations about any prudent reopening measures that can be implemented between now and May 1, 2020. This advice should include the types of businesses and services to reopen, the extent to which the providers of those services may function, and any restrictions that should be placed upon those services and service providers.

Chief Operating Officer. The governor will designate a chief operating officer of the Strike Force, who will be employed by the Office of the Governor and perform all Strike Force duties as a state employee. The chief operating officer will coordinate Strike Force duties consistent with the provisions of this executive order, and act solely in an advisory capacity as it relates to Strike Force duties.

Chief Medical Advisors Working Group. The Strike Force shall include a working group consisting of chief medical advisors to advise the chief operating officer and other parts of the Strike Force concerning the health and medical evidence relevant to the Strike Force's duties. The chief medical advisors will be invited to serve by the governor. The working group and its members will assist in fulfilling the Strike Force duties, and act solely in an advisory capacity.

Working Groups. The chief operating officer may create such additional working groups, consisting of state, local, and other officials providing their advice and assistance, as the chief operating officer deems appropriate. The additional working groups should address at least the following topics: Workforce, Economic Development, and International Trade; Education; Fiscal Accountability; Energy; Arts, Culture, and Entertainment; Health Care Systems; Infrastructure; and Emergency Management and Supply Chain. These working group members will be invited to serve by the chief operating officer, and each working group will be led by one or more leaders. These working groups and their members will assist in fulfilling the Strike Force duties, and act solely in an advisory capacity.

State Officials. The Lieutenant Governor, the Speaker of the House of

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Representatives, the Attorney General, and the Comptroller have agreed to serve as consulting members of the Strike Force. The governor will consult with the elected state officials as necessary and appropriate concerning advice and recommendations. The elected state officials will act solely in an advisory capacity as it relates to all Strike Force duties.

Meetings. The Strike Force may meet, by telephone or videoconference, at the call of the governor or the chief operating officer. No quorum requirements or meeting formalities shall be required for this advisory body or any of its subparts.

Vacancies and Additions. The governor may invite people to fill any vacancies that occur, may invite additional members, and may create and fill additional Strike Force positions as needed.

Administrative Support. The Office of the Governor shall provide administrative support for the Strike Force. All state agencies are hereby directed to cooperate with and assist the Strike Force in the performance of its duties.

Other Provisions. Any state or local government employees serving on the Strike Force do so in addition to the regular duties of their respective positions. Members of the Strike Force, other than the chief operating officer and any other employees within the Office of the Governor assigned to support the chief operating officer or the Strike Force, shall serve without salary or compensatory per diem. All Strike Force members who are providing their advice and assistance on a volunteer basis are doing so at the request and invitation of the governor and the Office of the Governor. All Strike Force members shall act solely in an advisory capacity. The criminal penalty provisions set forth in any emergency management plan under Section 418.173 of the Texas Government Code do not apply to this executive order.

This executive order shall remain in effect and in full force until modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.



Given under my hand this the 17th
day of April, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Abbott".

GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ruth R. Hughes".

RUTH R. HUGHES
Secretary of State

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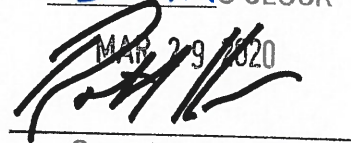


GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

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The Honorable Ruth R. Hughs
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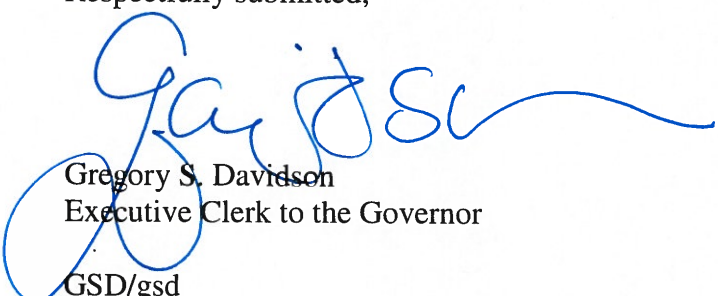
Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

Executive Order No. GA-13 relating to detention in county and municipal jails
during the COVID-19 disaster.

The original executive order is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

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Executive Order

BY THE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executive Department
Austin, Texas
March 29, 2020

EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 13

Relating to detention in county and municipal jails during the COVID-19 disaster.

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services has determined that COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, I have issued numerous executive orders and suspensions of Texas laws in response to the COVID-19 disaster, aimed at protecting the health and safety of Texans and ensuring an effective response to this disaster; and

WHEREAS, the jail population in Texas presents unique challenges in mitigating against and responding to the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, my office has worked with the Texas Commission on Jail Standards and with state and local officials to address these challenges while ensuring public safety for all Texans; and

WHEREAS, several counties are now reportedly considering the broad-scale release of arrested or jailed individuals as a result of COVID-19, including potentially those who have committed felonies, in order to reduce the size of the jail population; and

WHEREAS, such releases from county or municipal jails of those charged with, convicted of, or having a history of offenses involving physical violence or threats of physical violence would not only gravely threaten public safety, but would also hinder efforts to cope with the COVID-19 disaster; and

WHEREAS, a statewide standard is needed to avoid disparate release policies or practices that may endanger the public safety of Texans; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Judicial Council has recently reminded judges that individuals who pose a significant risk to the community or the victim, or who present a significant risk of flight, should be detained, and Texas judges are legally required and oath-bound to determine bail on an individualized basis after considering the factors mandated by

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Article 17.15 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, which does not include the option of releases based solely on concerns or fears surrounding COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the “governor is responsible for meeting ... the dangers to the state and people presented by disasters” under Section 418.011 of the Texas Government Code, and the legislature has given the governor broad authority to fulfill that responsibility; and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.012, the “governor may issue executive orders ... hav[ing] the force and effect of law;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.016(a), in addition to the other powers given, the “governor may suspend the provisions of any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business ... if strict compliance with the provisions ... would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with a disaster;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.017(a), the “governor may use all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with a disaster;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.018(c), the “governor may control ingress and egress to and from a disaster area and the movement of persons and the occupancy of premises in the area.”

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby order the following on a statewide basis effective immediately:

Article 17.03 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, and all other relevant statutes and rules relating to personal bonds, are hereby suspended to the extent necessary to preclude the release on personal bond of any person previously convicted of a crime that involves physical violence or the threat of physical violence, or of any person currently arrested for such a crime that is supported by probable cause. I hereby order that no authority should release on personal bond any person previously convicted of a crime that involves physical violence or the threat of physical violence, or any person currently arrested for such a crime that is supported by probable cause.

Article 17.151 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure is hereby suspended to the extent necessary to prevent any person’s automatic release on personal bond because the State is not ready for trial.

Article 15.21 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure is hereby suspended to the extent necessary to prevent any person’s automatic release on personal bond because the jail of the county where the offense is alleged to have been committed does not take charge of the arrested person before the 11th day after the date the person is committed to the jail of the county in which the person is arrested.

Article 42.032 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, and all other relevant statutes and rules, are hereby suspended to the extent necessary to preclude the grant of commutation of time for good conduct, industry, and obedience to achieve the release of any person who has previously been convicted of or is currently

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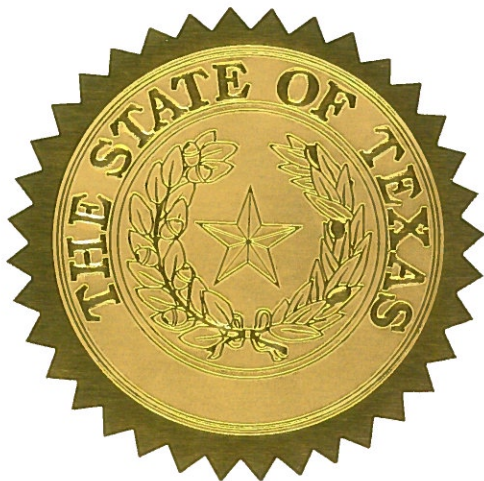
serving a sentence for a crime that involves physical violence or the threat of physical violence. I hereby order that no authority should grant the commutation of time for good conduct, industry, and obedience to achieve the release of any person who has previously been convicted of or is currently serving a sentence for a crime that involves physical violence or the threat of physical violence. This provision does not preclude the accumulation of credit for good conduct, industry, and obedience during the pendency of this executive order.

Article 42.035 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure is hereby suspended to the extent necessary to preclude any release of a person to an electronic monitoring program, rather than being confined in the jail, if the person has previously been convicted of or is currently serving a sentence for a crime that involves physical violence or the threat of physical violence.

Sections 418.1015(b) and 418.108 of the Texas Government Code are hereby suspended to the extent necessary to preclude any county judge or mayor of a municipality, or any emergency management director, from releasing persons under any circumstances inconsistent with this order.

Provided, however, that nothing herein shall prevent the lawful exercise of authority by a county criminal court judge, district judge, or appellate judge in considering release on an individualized basis for health or medical reasons, provided that proper notice is given to the district attorney and an opportunity for hearing is given.

This executive order shall remain in effect and in full force until modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.



Given under my hand this the 29th
day of March, 2020.



GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:



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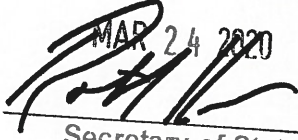
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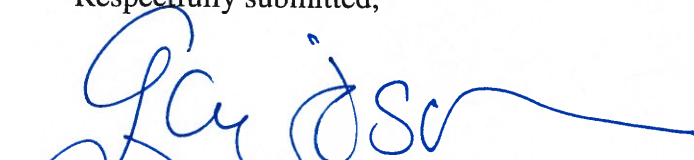
Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

Executive Order No. GA-10 relating to daily reporting during the COVID-19 disaster.

The original executive order is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor
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Executive Order

BY THE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executive Department
Austin, Texas
March 24, 2020

EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 10

Relating to daily reporting during the COVID-19 disaster.

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) has determined that, as of March 19, 2020, COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, I issued Executive Order GA-08 on March 19, 2020, and Executive Order GA-09 on March 22, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 disaster; and

WHEREAS, timely information about COVID-19 testing and hospital bed capacity is crucial to efforts to cope with the COVID-19 disaster; and

WHEREAS, Vice President Mike Pence, leader of the White House Coronavirus Task Force, has requested that every governor in the United States order daily reporting of these crucial pieces of information to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC); and

WHEREAS, the “governor is responsible for meeting . . . the dangers to the state and people presented by disasters” under Section 418.011 of the Texas Government Code, and the legislature has given the governor broad authority to fulfill that responsibility; and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.012, the “governor may issue executive orders . . . hav[ing] the force and effect of law.”

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby order the following on a statewide basis effective 11:59 p.m. on March 24, 2020:

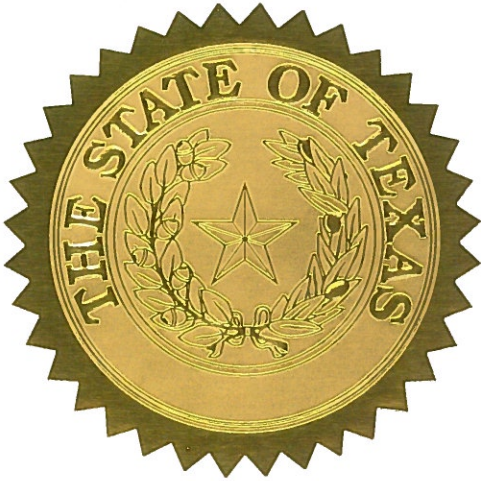
All hospitals licensed under Chapter 241 of the Texas Health and Safety Code, and all Texas state-run hospitals, except for psychiatric hospitals, shall submit to DSHS daily reports of hospital bed capacity, in the manner prescribed by DSHS. DSHS shall promptly share this information with the CDC.

Every public or private entity that is utilizing an FDA-approved test, including an emergency use authorization test, for human diagnostic purposes of COVID-19, shall submit to DSHS, as well as to the local health department, daily reports of all test results, both positive and negative. DSHS shall promptly share this information with the CDC.

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This executive order shall remain in effect and in full force until modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by me or by a succeeding governor.



Given under my hand this the 24th
day of March, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Greg Abbott", written over a horizontal line.

GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ruth R. Hughs", written over a horizontal line.

RUTH R. HUGHS
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GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

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The Honorable Ruth R. Hughs
Secretary of State
State Capitol Room 1E.8
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Secretary of State

Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

A proclamation renewing the declaration of March 13, 2020, stating that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in Texas.

The original proclamation is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

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PROCLAMATION

BY THE

Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services, Dr. John Hellerstedt, has determined that COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, I have issued numerous executive orders and suspensions of Texas laws in response to COVID-19, aimed at protecting the health and safety of Texans and ensuring an effective response to this disaster; and

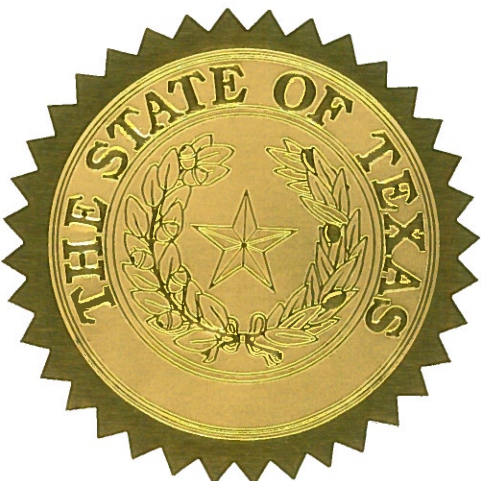
WHEREAS, a state of disaster continues to exist in all counties due to the spread of COVID-19.

NOW, THEREFORE, in accordance with the authority vested in me by Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code, I do hereby renew the disaster proclamation for all counties in Texas.

Pursuant to Section 418.017, I authorize the use of all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with this disaster.

Pursuant to Section 418.016, any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or any order or rule of a state agency that would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with this disaster shall be suspended upon written approval of the Office of the Governor. However, to the extent that the enforcement of any state statute or administrative rule regarding contracting or procurement would impede any state agency's emergency response that is necessary to cope with this declared disaster, I hereby suspend such statutes and rules for the duration of this declared disaster for that limited purpose.

In accordance with the statutory requirements, copies of this proclamation shall be filed with the applicable authorities.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed at my office in the City of Austin, Texas, this the 12th day of April, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Greg Abbott".

GREG ABBOTT
Governor

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ATTESTED BY:



RUTH R. HUGHS
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AMENDMENT NO. 3
TO
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To Ordinance No. 4773

NOTE: This Amendment No. 3 to Exhibit F has been updated and replaced.
SEE AMENDMENT No. 5 to EXHIBIT F (Page 368).

Texas Governor Greg Abbott's EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 18
Relating to the expanded reopening of services
as part of the safe, strategic plan to Open Texas in response to the COVID-19 disaster

AND

Texas Governor Greg Abbott's EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 19
Relating to hospital capacity during the COVID-19 disaster

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Texas Governor Greg Abbott's EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 20
Relating to expanding travel without restrictions
as part of the safe, strategic plan to Open Texas in response to the COVID-19 disaster

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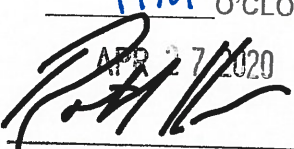
Texas Attorney General Paxton and Texas Governor Abbott
Guidance for Houses of Worship During the COVID-19 Crisis revised April 27, 2020
(Official guidance regarding the effect of Executive Order GA-18)



GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

April 27, 2020

The Honorable Ruth R. Hughs
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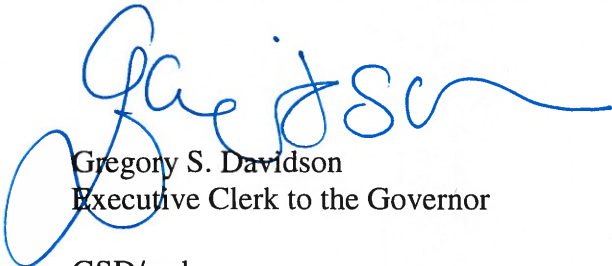
Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

Executive Order No. GA-18 relating to the expanded reopening of services as part of the safe, strategic plan to Open Texas in response to the COVID-19 disaster.

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Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

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Executive Order

BY THE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executive Department
Austin, Texas
April 27, 2020

EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 18

*Relating to the expanded reopening of services as part of the safe, strategic plan to
Open Texas in response to the COVID-19 disaster.*

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2020, I issued a proclamation renewing the disaster declaration for all counties in Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Dr. John Hellerstedt, has determined that COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code, and renewed that determination on April 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, I have issued executive orders and suspensions of Texas laws in response to COVID-19, aimed at protecting the health and safety of Texans and ensuring an effective response to this disaster; and

WHEREAS, I issued Executive Order GA-08 on March 19, 2020, mandating certain obligations for Texans in accordance with the President's Coronavirus Guidelines for America, as promulgated by President Donald J. Trump and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on March 16, 2020, which called upon Americans to take actions to slow the spread of COVID-19 for 15 days; and

WHEREAS, shortly before Executive Order GA-08 expired, I issued Executive Order GA-14 on March 31, 2020, based on the President's announcement that the restrictive social-distancing Guidelines should extend through April 30, 2020, in light of advice from Dr. Anthony Fauci and Dr. Deborah Birx, and also based on guidance by DSHS Commissioner Dr. Hellerstedt and Dr. Birx that the spread of COVID-19 can be reduced by minimizing social gatherings; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order GA-14 superseded Executive Order GA-08 and expanded the social-distancing restrictions and other obligations for Texans that are aimed at slowing the spread of COVID-19, including by limiting social gatherings and in-person contact with people (other than those in the same household) to providing or obtaining "essential services," and by expressly adopting federal guidance that provides a list of critical-infrastructure sectors, workers, and functions that should continue as "essential services" during the COVID-19 response; and

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WHEREAS, after more than two weeks of having in effect the heightened restrictions like those required by Executive Order GA-14, which have saved lives, it was clear that the disease still presented a serious threat across Texas that could persist in certain areas, but also that COVID-19 had wrought havoc on many Texas businesses and workers affected by the restrictions that were necessary to protect human life; and

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2020, I therefore issued Executive Order GA-17, creating the Governor's Strike Force to Open Texas to study and make recommendations on safely and strategically restarting and revitalizing all aspects of the Lone Star State—work, school, entertainment, and culture; and

WHEREAS, also on April 17, 2020, I issued Executive Order GA-16 to replace Executive Order GA-14, and while Executive Order GA-16 generally continued through April 30, 2020, the same social-distancing restrictions and other obligations for Texans according to federal guidelines, it offered a safe, strategic first step to Open Texas, including permitting retail pick-up and delivery services; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order GA-16 is set to expire at 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Texas must continue to protect lives while restoring livelihoods, both of which can be achieved with the expert advice of medical professionals and business leaders; and

WHEREAS, the “governor is responsible for meeting ... the dangers to the state and people presented by disasters” under Section 418.011 of the Texas Government Code, and the legislature has given the governor broad authority to fulfill that responsibility; and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.012, the “governor may issue executive orders ... hav[ing] the force and effect of law;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.016(a), the “governor may suspend the provisions of any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business ... if strict compliance with the provisions ... would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with a disaster;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.017(a), the “governor may use all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with a disaster;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.018(c), the “governor may control ingress and egress to and from a disaster area and the movement of persons and the occupancy of premises in the area;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.173, failure to comply with any executive order issued during the COVID-19 disaster is an offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days, or both fine and confinement.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby order the following on a statewide basis effective immediately, and continuing through May 15, 2020, subject to extension based on the status of COVID-19 in Texas and the

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recommendations of the Governor's Strike Force to Open Texas, the White House Coronavirus Task Force, and the CDC:

In accordance with guidance from DSHS Commissioner Dr. Hellerstedt, and to achieve the goals established by the President to reduce the spread of COVID-19, every person in Texas shall, except where necessary to provide or obtain essential services or reopened services, minimize social gatherings and minimize in-person contact with people who are not in the same household. People over the age of 65, however, are strongly encouraged to stay at home as much as possible; to maintain appropriate distance from any member of the household who has been out of the residence in the previous 14 days; and, if leaving the home, to implement social distancing and to practice good hygiene, environmental cleanliness, and sanitation.

"Essential services" shall consist of everything listed by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 3.0 or any subsequent version, plus religious services conducted in churches, congregations, and houses of worship. Other essential services may be added to this list with the approval of the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM). TDEM shall maintain an online list of essential services, as specified in this executive order and any approved additions. Requests for additions should be directed to TDEM at EssentialServices@tdem.texas.gov or by visiting the TDEM website at www.tdem.texas.gov/essentialservices.

"Reopened services" shall consist of the following to the extent they are not already "essential services:"

1. Retail services that may be provided through pickup, delivery by mail, or delivery to the customer's doorstep.
2. Starting at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, May 1, 2020:
 - a) In-store retail services, for retail establishments that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the retail establishment.
 - b) Dine-in restaurant services, for restaurants that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the restaurant; provided, however, that (a) this applies only to restaurants that have less than 51 percent of their gross receipts from the sale of alcoholic beverages and are therefore not required to post the 51 percent sign required by Texas law as determined by the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, and (b) valet services are prohibited except for vehicles with placards or plates for disabled parking.
 - c) Movie theaters that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of any individual theater for any screening.
 - d) Shopping malls that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy of the shopping mall; provided, however, that within shopping malls, the food-court dining areas, play areas, and interactive displays and settings must remain closed.
 - e) Museums and libraries that operate at up to 25 percent of the total listed occupancy; provided, however, that (a) local public museums and local public libraries may so operate only if permitted by the local government, and (b) any components of museums or libraries that have interactive functions or exhibits, including child play areas, must remain closed.
 - f) For Texas counties that have filed with DSHS, and are in compliance with, the requisite attestation form promulgated by DSHS regarding five or fewer cases of COVID-19, those in-store retail services, dine-in restaurant services, movie theaters, shopping malls, and museums and libraries, as otherwise defined and limited above, may operate at up to 50 percent (as opposed to 25 percent) of

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- the total listed occupancy.
- g) Services provided by an individual working alone in an office.
 - h) Golf course operations.
 - i) Local government operations, including county and municipal governmental operations relating to permitting, recordation, and document-filing services, as determined by the local government.
 - j) Such additional services as may be enumerated by future executive orders or proclamations by the governor.

The conditions and limitations set forth above for reopened services shall not apply to essential services. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the governor may by proclamation identify any county or counties in which reopened services are thereafter prohibited, in the governor's sole discretion, based on the governor's determination in consultation with medical professionals that only essential services should be permitted in the county, including based on factors such as an increase in the transmission of COVID-19 or in the amount of COVID-19-related hospitalizations or fatalities.

In providing or obtaining essential services or reopened services, people and businesses should follow the minimum standard health protocols recommended by DSHS, found at www.dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus, and should implement social distancing, work from home if possible, and practice good hygiene, environmental cleanliness, and sanitation. This includes also following, to the extent not inconsistent with the DSHS minimum standards, the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, as well as other CDC recommendations. Individuals are encouraged to wear appropriate face coverings, but no jurisdiction can impose a civil or criminal penalty for failure to wear a face covering.

Religious services should be conducted in accordance with the joint guidance issued and updated by the attorney general and governor.

People shall avoid visiting bars, gyms, public swimming pools, interactive amusement venues such as bowling alleys and video arcades, massage establishments, tattoo studios, piercing studios, or cosmetology salons. The use of drive-thru, pickup, or delivery options for food and drinks remains allowed and highly encouraged throughout the limited duration of this executive order.

This executive order does not prohibit people from accessing essential or reopened services or engaging in essential daily activities, such as going to the grocery store or gas station, providing or obtaining other essential or reopened services, visiting parks, hunting or fishing, or engaging in physical activity like jogging, bicycling, or other outdoor sports, so long as the necessary precautions are maintained to reduce the transmission of COVID-19 and to minimize in-person contact with people who are not in the same household.

In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, people shall not visit nursing homes, state supported living centers, assisted living facilities, or long-term care facilities unless to provide critical assistance as determined through guidance from the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC). Nursing homes, state supported living centers, assisted living facilities, and long-term care facilities should follow infection control policies and practices set forth by the HHSC, including minimizing the movement of staff between facilities whenever possible.

In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, schools shall remain temporarily closed to in-person classroom attendance by students and shall not

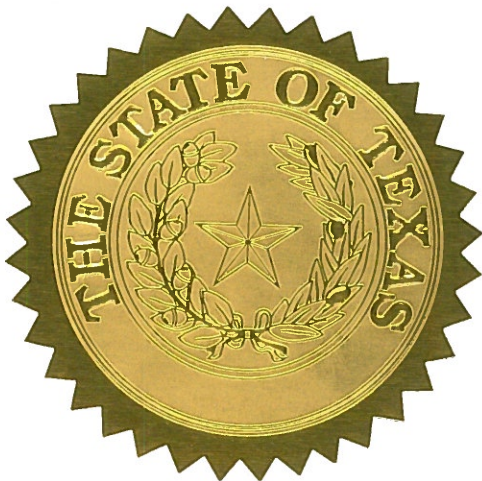
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recommence before the end of the 2019-2020 school year. Public education teachers and staff are encouraged to continue to work remotely from home if possible, but may return to schools to conduct remote video instruction, as well as perform administrative duties, under the strict terms required by the Texas Education Agency. Private schools and institutions of higher education should establish similar terms to allow teachers and staff to return to schools to conduct remote video instruction and perform administrative duties when it is not possible to do so remotely from home.

This executive order shall supersede any conflicting order issued by local officials in response to the COVID-19 disaster, but only to the extent that such a local order restricts essential services or reopened services allowed by this executive order, allows gatherings prohibited by this executive order, or expands the list of essential services or the list or scope of reopened services as set forth in this executive order. I hereby suspend Sections 418.1015(b) and 418.108 of the Texas Government Code, Chapter 81, Subchapter E of the Texas Health and Safety Code, and any other relevant statutes, to the extent necessary to ensure that local officials do not impose restrictions inconsistent with this executive order, provided that local officials may enforce this executive order as well as local restrictions that are consistent with this executive order.

This executive order supersedes Executive Order GA-16, but does not supersede Executive Orders GA-10, GA-11, GA-12, GA-13, GA-15, or GA-17. This executive order shall remain in effect and in full force until 11:59 p.m. on May 15, 2020, unless it is modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.



Given under my hand this the 27th
day of April, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Abbott".

GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:

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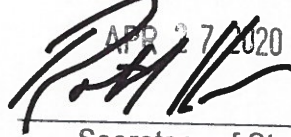
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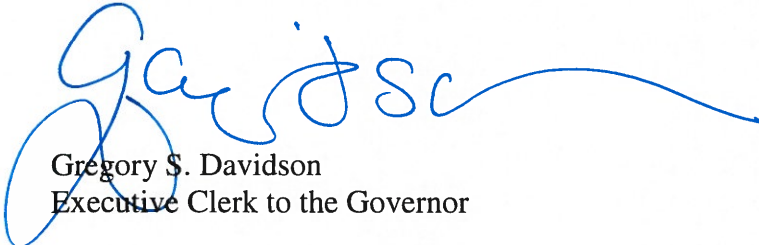
Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

Executive Order No. GA-19 relating to hospital capacity during the COVID-19 disaster.

The original executive order is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

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Executive Order

BY THE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executive Department
Austin, Texas
April 27, 2020

EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 19

Relating to hospital capacity during the COVID-19 disaster.

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2020, I issued a proclamation renewing the disaster declaration for all counties in Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services, Dr. John Hellerstedt, has determined that COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code, and renewed that determination on April 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, I have issued executive orders and suspensions of Texas laws in response to COVID-19, aimed at protecting the health and safety of Texans and ensuring an effective response to this disaster; and

WHEREAS, a shortage of hospital capacity or personal protective equipment would hinder efforts to cope with the COVID-19 disaster; and

WHEREAS, hospital capacity and personal protective equipment were being depleted by ongoing surgeries and procedures; and

WHEREAS, various hospital licensing requirements would stand in the way of implementing increased occupancy in the event of surge needs for hospital capacity due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, I therefore issued Executive Order GA-09 on March 22, 2020, and then superseded it with Executive Order GA-15 on April 17, 2020, in an effort to avoid a shortage of hospital capacity or personal protective equipment; and

WHEREAS, the “governor is responsible for meeting ... the dangers to the state and people presented by disasters” under Section 418.011 of the Texas Government Code, and the legislature has given the governor broad authority to fulfill that responsibility; and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.012, the “governor may issue executive orders ... hav[ing] the force and effect of law;” and

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WHEREAS, under Section 418.016(a), the “governor may suspend the provisions of any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or the orders or rules of a state agency if strict compliance with the provisions, orders, or rules would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with a disaster;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.173, failure to comply with any executive order issued during the COVID-19 disaster is an offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days, or both fine and confinement.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby order the following on a statewide basis beginning at 12:01 a.m. on May 1, 2020:

All licensed health care professionals shall be limited in their practice by, and must comply with, any emergency rules promulgated by their respective licensing agencies dictating minimum standards for safe practice during the COVID-19 disaster.

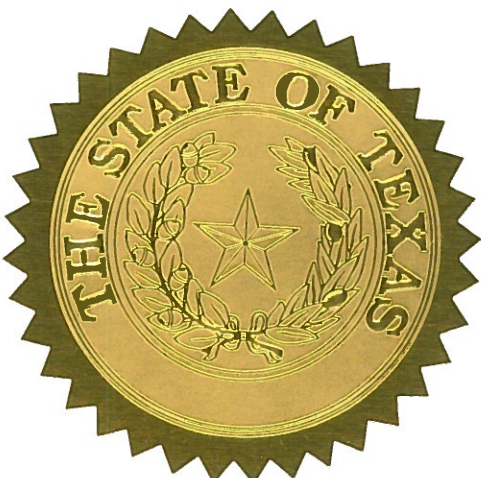
Every hospital licensed under Chapter 241 of the Texas Health and Safety Code shall reserve at least 15 percent of its hospital capacity for treatment of COVID-19 patients, accounting for the range of clinical severity of COVID-19 patients, as determined by the Texas Health and Human Services Commission.

I hereby continue the suspension of the following provisions to the extent necessary to implement increased occupancy in the event of surge needs for hospital capacity due to COVID-19:

25 TAC Sec. 133.162(d)(4)(A)(iii)(I);
25 TAC Sec. 133.163(f)(1)(A)(i)(II)–(III);
25 TAC Sec. 133.163(f)(1)(B)(i)(III)–(IV);
25 TAC Sec. 133.163(m)(1)(B)(ii);
25 TAC Sec. 133.163(t)(1)(B)(iii)–(iv);
25 TAC Sec. 133.163(t)(1)(C);
25 TAC Sec. 133.163(t)(5)(B)–(C); and

Any other pertinent regulations or statutes, upon written approval of the Office of the Governor.

This executive order will supersede Executive Order GA-15 as of 12:01 a.m. on May 1, 2020, but will not supersede Executive Orders GA-10, GA-11, GA-12, GA-13, GA-17, or GA-18. This executive order shall remain in effect and in full force until modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.



Given under my hand this the 27th
day of April, 2020.

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GREG ABBOTT
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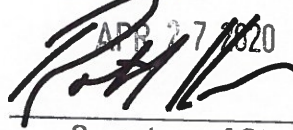
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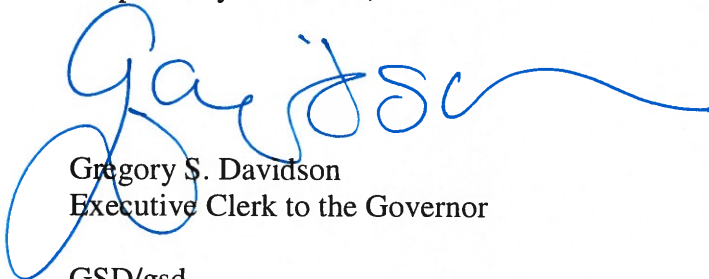
Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

Executive Order No. GA-20 relating to expanding travel without restrictions as part of the safe, strategic plan to Open Texas in response to the COVID-19 disaster.

The original executive order is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

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Executive Order

BY THE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executive Department
Austin, Texas
April 27, 2020

EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 20

*Relating to expanding travel without restrictions as part of the safe, strategic plan to
Open Texas in response to the COVID-19 disaster.*

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2020, I issued a proclamation renewing the disaster declaration for all counties in Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Dr. John Hellerstedt, has determined that COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code, and renewed that determination on April 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, I have issued executive orders and suspensions of Texas laws in response to COVID-19, aimed at protecting the health and safety of Texans and ensuring an effective response to this disaster; and

WHEREAS, many early cases of COVID-19 in the State of Texas were caused by people who transmitted the virus to Texans after traveling here from other states and countries; and

WHEREAS, given the risk of COVID-19 spreading, Dr. Deborah Birx, the White House Coronavirus Response Coordinator, and Dr. Anthony Fauci, a member of the White House Coronavirus Task Force, called for people traveling from the New York metropolitan area to self-quarantine for 14 days; and

WHEREAS, I therefore issued Executive Order GA-11 on March 26, 2020, to impose a mandatory self-quarantine of 14 days for air travelers flying to Texas from certain areas experiencing substantial community spread of COVID-19, including New York and the City of New Orleans, and by proclamation on March 29, 2020, I added the State of Louisiana as well as several other states and cities; and

WHEREAS, I also issued Executive Order GA-12 on March 29, 2020, to impose a mandatory self-quarantine of 14 days for roadway travelers coming to Texas from Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, I have issued several executive orders to impose social-distancing

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restrictions and other obligations on Texans that are aimed at slowing the spread of COVID-19, including Executive Order GA-08, Executive Order GA-14, and Executive Order GA-16; and

WHEREAS, after more than two weeks of heightened restrictions, it was clear that the disease still presented a serious threat across Texas that could persist in certain areas, but also that COVID-19 had wrought havoc on many Texas businesses and workers affected by the restrictions that were necessary to protect human life; and

WHEREAS, on April 17, 2020, I therefore issued executive orders to begin the process of safely and strategically restarting and revitalizing all aspects of the Lone Star State—work, school, entertainment, and culture—including the creation of an advisory strike force to provide recommendations; and

WHEREAS, today, I am expanding the reopening of businesses and services in Texas by issuing Executive Order GA-18 to replace Executive Order GA-16; and

WHEREAS, other states, including Louisiana, have likewise imposed social-distancing restrictions and other obligations on their people that have similarly slowed the spread of COVID-19, making it appropriate to reconsider the scope of the travel restrictions imposed by Executive Order GA-11 and Executive Order GA-12; and

WHEREAS, the “governor is responsible for meeting . . . the dangers to the state and people presented by disasters” under Section 418.011 of the Texas Government Code, and the legislature has given the governor broad authority to fulfill that responsibility; and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.012, the “governor may issue executive orders . . . hav[ing] the force and effect of law;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.017(a), the “governor may use all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with a disaster;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.018(c), the “governor may control ingress and egress to and from a disaster area and the movement of persons and the occupancy of premises in the area;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.173, failure to comply with any executive order issued during the COVID-19 disaster is an offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days, or both fine and confinement.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby order the following on a statewide basis effective at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, May 1, 2020:

Executive Order GA-12 is hereby rescinded and terminated in its entirety. Executive Order GA-11 and the March 29, 2020 proclamation are hereby rescinded and terminated to the extent applicable to travelers from the City of New Orleans or the State of Louisiana. Any mandatory self-quarantine already in effect as a result of these executive orders, to the extent applicable to travelers from the City of New Orleans or the State of Louisiana, is terminated immediately as of the effective date of this executive order.

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Executive Order GA-11 and the March 29, 2020, proclamation are otherwise superseded by this executive order, except that any mandatory self-quarantine already in effect thereunder, as of the effective date of this executive order, shall continue until its expiration as set forth in Executive Order GA-11.

The following restrictions shall remain in place:

Every person who enters the State of Texas as the final destination through an airport, from a point of origin or point of last departure in the following—State of California; State of Connecticut; State of New York; State of New Jersey; State of Washington; City of Atlanta, Georgia; City of Chicago, Illinois; City of Detroit, Michigan; or City of Miami, Florida—shall be subject to mandatory self-quarantine for a period of 14 days from the time of entry into Texas or the duration of the person's presence in Texas, whichever is shorter. The governor may by proclamation add to or subtract from the list of states and cities covered by this executive order. This order to self-quarantine shall not apply to people traveling in connection with military service, emergency response, health response, or critical-infrastructure functions, as may be determined by the Texas Division of Emergency Management. Each person covered under this order to self-quarantine shall be responsible for all associated costs, including transportation, lodging, food, and medical care.

A covered person shall use a form prescribed by the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) to designate a quarantine location in Texas, such as a residence or a hotel, and provide a full name, date of birth, home address, telephone number, and driver license or passport information. DPS Troopers, or other approved peace officers, shall collect a completed form from each covered person immediately upon disembarking and verify it against the person's driver license or passport. Providing false information on this form is a criminal offense under Section 37.10 of the Texas Penal Code. Questions about this form should be directed to DPS at (800) 525-5555.

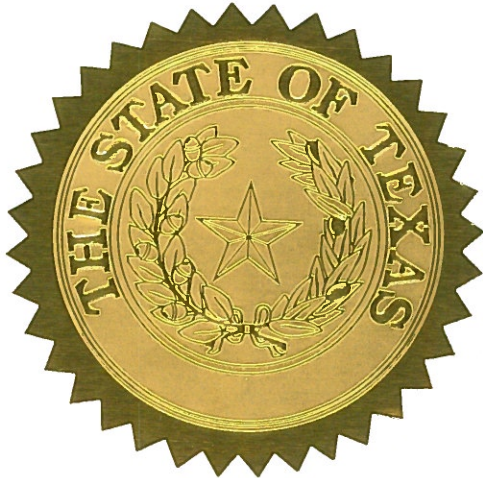
A covered person shall proceed directly from the airport to the designated quarantine location entered on the DPS form. Any covered person exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 shall be escorted to the designated quarantine location by a DPS Trooper.

A covered person shall remain in the designated quarantine location for a period of 14 days or the duration of the person's presence in Texas, whichever is shorter, leaving only to seek medical care or to depart from Texas. During that period, a covered person shall not allow visitors into or out of the designated quarantine location, other than a health department employee, physician, or health care provider, and shall not visit any public spaces.

DPS Special Agents will conduct unannounced visits to designated quarantine locations to verify compliance by confirming the physical presence of covered persons. Any failure to comply with this order to self-quarantine shall be a criminal offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days, or both.

This executive order supersedes Executive Order GA-11 and Executive Order GA-12 as set forth above, but does not supersede Executive Orders GA-10, GA-13, GA-17, GA-18, or GA-19. This executive order shall remain in effect and in full force until modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.

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Given under my hand this the 27 day
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GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:

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Guidance for Houses of Worship During the COVID-19 Crisis

During these challenging times, government and faith communities throughout Texas need to work together to love our neighbors and slow the spread of Coronavirus. To facilitate this collaboration, State and local governments must clearly articulate their directives aimed at mitigating spread of the virus. This updated joint guidance from the Office of the Attorney General and the Office of the Governor is the official guidance regarding the effect of Executive Order GA 18 on religious services conducted in churches, congregations, and houses of worship.

The government must give special consideration to houses of worship when issuing orders related to the COVID-19 crisis.

The First Amendment to the United States Constitution and Article I of the Texas Constitution protect the right of Texans to worship and freely exercise their religion according to the dictates of their own consciences. In addition, the Texas Religious Freedom Restoration Act ("RFRA") provides additional protections to faith communities, and government must ensure that it complies with RFRA when it acts, even during a disaster. Thus, when state or local governments issue orders prohibiting people from providing or obtaining certain services, they must ensure that these orders do not violate these constitutional and statutory rights.

Houses of worship provide "essential services."

By executive order, Governor Abbott has defined essential services to include "religious services conducted in churches, congregations, and houses of worship."¹ Institutions providing these essential services can provide them under certain conditions described in Executive Order GA 18 and local orders by counties or municipalities that are consistent with GA 18. To the extent there is conflict between Executive Order GA 18 and local orders, GA 18 controls. Local governments may not order houses of worship to close.

Houses of worship should conduct as many activities as possible remotely, and should follow the minimum health protocols listed in these guidelines when providing services in person.

Houses of worship should conduct as many of their activities as possible remotely. Services that houses of worship do not conduct remotely should be conducted in accordance with the following minimum health protocols described in this document

¹ Exec. Order No. GA 18 at 3 (Apr. 27, 2020).

and guidance from the White House and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”).²

Minimum Health Protocols for Houses of Worship

In accordance with Governor Abbott’s executive order GA-18, the following are the minimum recommended health protocols for all churches, congregations, and houses of worship in Texas. Churches, congregations, and houses of worship may adopt additional protocols consistent with their specific needs and circumstances to help protect the health and safety of all Texans. The same minimum standard health protocols would apply to funeral services, burials, and memorials.

We know now that the virus that causes COVID-19 can be spread to others by infected persons who have few or no symptoms. Even if an infected person is only mildly ill, the people they spread it to may become seriously ill or even die, especially if that person is 65 or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk. Because of the hidden nature of this threat, everyone should rigorously follow the practices specified in these protocols, all of which facilitate a safe and measured reopening of Texas. The virus that causes COVID-19 is still circulating in our communities. We should continue to observe practices that protect everyone, including those who are most vulnerable.

Please note, public health guidance cannot anticipate every unique situation. Churches, congregations, and places of worship should stay informed and take actions based on common sense and wise judgment that will protect health and support economic revitalization. Churches, congregations, and places of worship should also be mindful of federal and state employment laws and workplace safety standards.

Health protocols for serving your attendees:

1. Strongly encourage the at-risk population³ to watch or participate in the service remotely.
2. Designate an area inside the facility reserved for the at-risk population, or offer a service for at-risk population attendees only.

² Ctr. for Disease Control, Interim Guidance for Businesses and Employers to Plan and Respond to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) (Apr. 9, 2020), <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-business-response.html>; The President’s Coronavirus Guidelines for America, 30 Days to Slow the Spread (Mar. 31, 2020), https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/03.16.20_coronavirus-guidance_8.5x11_315PM.pdf.

³ At-risk population are those who are 65 or older, especially those with chronic lung disease; moderate to severe asthma; chronic heart disease; severe obesity; diabetes; chronic kidney disease undergoing dialysis; liver disease; or weakened immune system.

3. Ensure proper spacing between attendees:
 - a. Keep at least two empty seats (or six feet separation) between parties in any row, except as follows:
 - i. Two or more members of the same household can sit adjacent to one another, with two seats (or six feet separation) empty on either side.
 - ii. Two individuals who are not members of the same household but who are attending together can sit adjacent to one another, with two seats (or six feet separation) empty on either side.
 - b. Alternate rows between attendees (every other row left empty).

Health protocols for your employees and volunteers:

1. Train all employees and volunteers on appropriate cleaning and disinfection, hand hygiene, and respiratory etiquette.
2. Screen employees and volunteers before coming into the church, congregation, or place of worship:
 - a. Send home any employee or volunteer who has any of the following new or worsening signs or symptoms of possible COVID-19:
 - i. cough,
 - ii. shortness of breath or difficulty breathing,
 - iii. chills,
 - iv. repeated shaking with chills,
 - v. muscle pain,
 - vi. headache,
 - vii. sore throat,
 - viii. loss of taste or smell,
 - ix. diarrhea,
 - x. feeling feverish or a measured temperature greater than or equal to 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit, or

- xi. known close contact with a person who is lab confirmed to have COVID-19.
 - b. Do not allow employees or volunteers with the new or worsening signs or symptoms listed above to return to work until:
 - i. in the case of an employee or volunteer who was diagnosed with COVID-19, the individual may return to work when all three of the following criteria are met: at least 3 days (72 hours) have passed *since recovery* (resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications); and the individual has improvement in respiratory symptoms (e.g., cough, shortness of breath); and at least 7 days have passed *since symptoms first appeared*; or
 - ii. in the case of an employee or volunteer who has symptoms that could be COVID-19 and does not get evaluated by a medical professional or tested for COVID-19, the individual is assumed to have COVID-19, and the individual may not return to work until the individual has completed the same three-step criteria listed above; or
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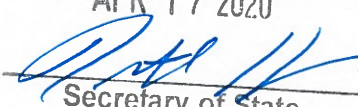


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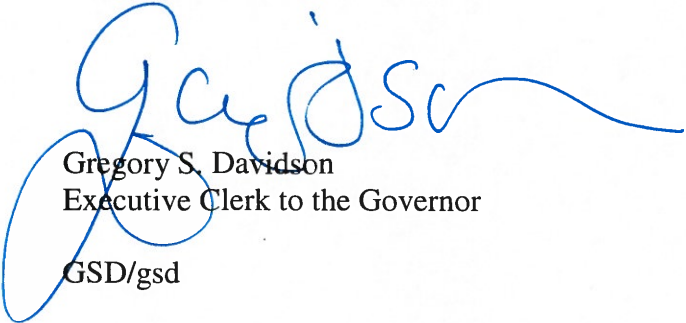
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This executive order does not prohibit people from accessing essential or reopened services or engaging in essential daily activities, such as going to the grocery store or gas station, providing or obtaining other essential or reopened services, visiting parks, hunting or fishing, or engaging in physical activity like jogging or bicycling, so long as the necessary precautions are maintained to reduce the transmission of COVID-19 and to minimize in-person contact with people who are not in the same household.

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In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, schools shall remain temporarily closed to in-person classroom attendance by students and shall not recommence before the end of the 2019-2020 school year. Public education teachers and staff are encouraged to continue to work remotely from home if possible, but may return to schools to conduct remote video instruction, as well as perform administrative duties, under the strict terms required by the Texas Education Agency. Private schools and institutions of higher education should establish similar terms to allow teachers and staff to return to schools to conduct remote video instruction and perform administrative duties when it is not possible to do so remotely from home.

This executive order shall supersede any conflicting order issued by local officials in response to the COVID-19 disaster, but only to the extent that such a local order restricts essential services or reopened services allowed by this executive order or allows gatherings prohibited by this executive order. I hereby suspend Sections 418.1015(b) and 418.108 of the Texas Government Code, Chapter 81, Subchapter E of the Texas Health and Safety Code, and any other relevant statutes, to the extent necessary to ensure that local officials do not impose restrictions inconsistent with this executive order, provided that local officials may enforce this executive order as well as local restrictions that are consistent with this executive order.

This executive order supersedes Executive Order GA-14, but does not supersede Executive Orders GA-09, GA-10, GA-11, GA-12, GA-13, or GA-15. This executive order shall remain in effect and in full force until 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2020, unless it is modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded by the governor.



Given under my hand this the 17th
day of April, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Abbott".

GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ruth R. Hughs".
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Guidance for Houses of Worship During the COVID-19 Crisis

During these challenging times, government and faith communities throughout Texas need to work together to love our neighbors and slow the spread of Coronavirus. To facilitate this collaboration, State and local governments must clearly articulate their directives aimed at mitigating spread of the virus. This updated joint guidance from the Office of the Attorney General and the Office of the Governor is the official guidance regarding the effect of Executive Order GA 16 on religious services conducted in churches, congregations, and houses of worship.

The government must give special consideration to houses of worship when issuing orders related to the COVID-19 crisis.

The First Amendment to the United States Constitution and Article I of the Texas Constitution protect the right of Texans to worship and freely exercise their religion according to the dictates of their own consciences. In addition, the Texas Religious Freedom Restoration Act ("RFRA") provides additional protections to faith communities, and government must ensure that it complies with RFRA when it acts, even during a disaster. Thus, when state or local governments issue orders prohibiting people from providing or obtaining certain services, they must ensure that these orders do not violate these constitutional and statutory rights.

Houses of worship provide "essential services."

By executive order, Governor Abbott has defined essential services to include "religious services conducted in churches, congregations, and houses of worship."¹ Institutions providing these essential services can provide them under certain conditions described in Executive Order GA 16 and local orders by counties or municipalities that are consistent with GA 16. To the extent there is conflict between the Governor's Executive Order GA 16 and local orders, GA 16 controls. Local governments may not order houses of worship to close.

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Houses of worship should conduct as many of their activities as possible remotely. Services that houses of worship cannot conduct remotely should be conducted in accordance with guidance from the White House and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC").² For example:

¹ Exec. Order No. GA 16 at 3 (Apr. 17, 2020); *see also* Exec. Order No. GA 14 at 2 (Mar. 31, 2020) (superseded by GA 16).

² Ctr. for Disease Control, Interim Guidance for Businesses and Employers to Plan and Respond to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) (Apr. 9, 2020), <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/>

- Instruct sick employees, volunteers, and guests to stay home;
- Practice social distancing by maintaining appropriate distance between people;
- Maintain good hygiene by washing your hands frequently, using hand sanitizer, using your elbow to cover coughs, and not touching your face;
- Implement environmental cleanliness and sanitization practices; and
- Clean and disinfect work areas frequently.

Houses of worship, like providers of other essential services, are to follow additional guidance from the White House and CDC whenever possible.³

Houses of worship should help slow the spread of the virus.

Texas is a big state and the transmission rate of COVID-19 varies in different communities. Texans also have big hearts and should love their neighbors by evaluating the rate of local community spread to determine the appropriate level of mitigation strategies to implement.⁴ Houses of worship play an important role in this effort, and can use their creativity to help slow the spread of the virus. For example, a church could hold “drive-in” style services. Or because Executive Order GA 16 permits drive-thrus to provide goods and services, a house of worship may, according to their faith practices, provide communion or a blessing through a similar drive-up service.

When conducting services, houses of worship may consider implementing the following practices:

- Encourage all attendees who are 65 and above to stay home and watch the services online, or provide a “senior service” exclusively for attendees 65 and above to attend in person.
- Ask all attendees who have an underlying at-risk health condition to stay home and watch the services online.
- Equip ushers and greeters with gloves and masks.
- Consider keeping child care closed, unless the house of worship can comply with CDC guidelines for child care facilities.⁵

[community/guidance-business-response.html](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/guidance-business-response.html); Tex. Dep’t of State Health Servs., Prevention of COVID-19 (Apr. 17, 2020), <https://www.dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus/#prevent>; The President’s Coronavirus Guidelines for America, 30 Days to Slow the Spread (Mar. 31, 2020), https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/03.16.20_coronavirus-guidance_8.5x11_315PM.pdf.

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⁵ CDC, Guidance for Childcare Programs that Remain Open (Apr. 12, 2020), <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/guidance-for-childcare.html>.

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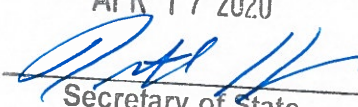


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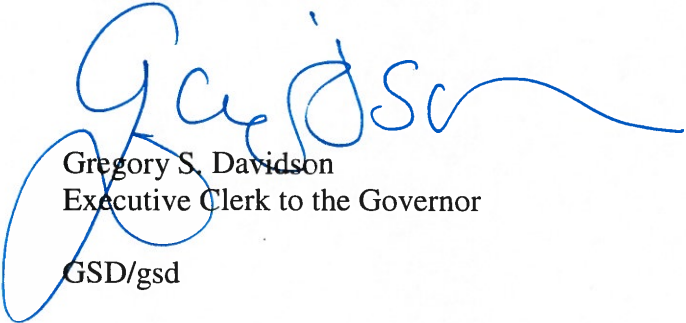
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Given under my hand this the 17th
day of April, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Abbott".

GREG ABBOTT
Governor

ATTESTED BY:

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RUTH R. HUGHS
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Houses of worship, like providers of other essential services, are to follow additional guidance from the White House and CDC whenever possible.⁴

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These restrictions do not violate the religious liberty of houses of worship.

Under the extraordinary circumstances in which we temporarily live, these restrictions do not violate the religious liberty of houses of worship because the government has a compelling interest for implementing the rules (stopping contagion) and the rules are the least restrictive means of burdening religious practice (they allow houses of worship to stay open for ministry, but suggest ways that help stop the spread of COVID-19).

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NOTE: This original Exhibit F has been updated and replaced.

SEE AMENDMENT No. 5 to EXHIBIT F (Page 368).

EXHIBIT F

To Ordinance No. 4773

Texas Governor Greg Abbott's EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 14
Relating to Statewide Continuity of Essential Services and Activities
during the COVID-19 Disaster

AND

Texas Attorney General Paxton and Texas Governor Abbott
Guidance for Houses of Worship During the COVID-19 Crisis
(Official guidance regarding the effect of Executive Order GA 14)



GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

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The Honorable Ruth R. Hughs
Secretary of State
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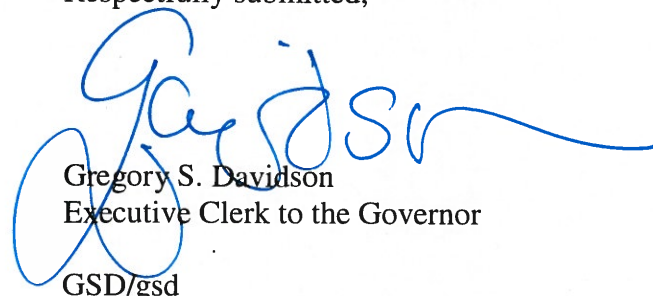
Dear Secretary Hughs:

Pursuant to his powers as Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott has issued the following:

Executive Order No. GA-14 relating to statewide continuity of essential services
and activities during the COVID-19 disaster.

The original executive order is attached to this letter of transmittal.

Respectfully submitted,


Gregory S. Davidson
Executive Clerk to the Governor

GSD/gsd

Attachment

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Executive Order

BY THE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS

Executive Department
Austin, Texas
March 31, 2020

EXECUTIVE ORDER GA 14

*Relating to statewide continuity of essential services and activities
during the COVID-19 disaster.*

WHEREAS, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, issued a disaster proclamation on March 13, 2020, certifying under Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code that the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) poses an imminent threat of disaster for all counties in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), Dr. John Hellerstedt, has determined that COVID-19 represents a public health disaster within the meaning of Chapter 81 of the Texas Health and Safety Code; and

WHEREAS, I have issued numerous executive orders and suspensions of Texas laws in response to the COVID-19 disaster, aimed at protecting the health and safety of Texans and ensuring an effective response to this disaster; and

WHEREAS, I issued Executive Order GA-08 on March 19, 2020, mandating certain obligations for Texans in accordance with the President's Coronavirus Guidelines for America, as promulgated by President Donald J. Trump and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on March 16, 2020, which called upon Americans to take actions to slow the spread of COVID-19 for 15 days; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order GA-08 is subject to expiration at 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020, absent further action by the governor; and

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2020, to avoid scenarios that could lead to hundreds of thousands of deaths, the President announced that, based on advice from Dr. Anthony Fauci and Dr. Deborah Birx, the restrictive social-distancing Guidelines should extend through April 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, DSHS Commissioner Dr. Hellerstedt and White House Coronavirus Response Coordinator Dr. Birx say that the spread of COVID-19 can be reduced by minimizing social gatherings; and

WHEREAS, on March 28, 2020, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security issued its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0, which provides an advisory list of critical-infrastructure sectors, workers, and functions that should continue during the COVID-19 response; and

WHEREAS, for state agencies and their employees and agents, the Office of the Attorney General of Texas has advised that local restrictions issued in response to the COVID-19 disaster do not apply to restrict the conduct of state business; and

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WHEREAS, all government entities and businesses should be allowed to continue providing essential services during the COVID-19 disaster, and all critical infrastructure should be allowed to remain operational; and

WHEREAS, the “governor is responsible for meeting ... the dangers to the state and people presented by disasters” under Section 418.011 of the Texas Government Code, and the legislature has given the governor broad authority to fulfill that responsibility; and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.012, the “governor may issue executive orders ... hav[ing] the force and effect of law;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.016(a), the “governor may suspend the provisions of any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business ... if strict compliance with the provisions ... would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with a disaster;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.017(a), the “governor may use all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions that are reasonably necessary to cope with a disaster;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.018(c), the “governor may control ingress and egress to and from a disaster area and the movement of persons and the occupancy of premises in the area;” and

WHEREAS, under Section 418.173, failure to comply with any executive order issued during the COVID-19 disaster is an offense punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000, confinement in jail for a term not to exceed 180 days, or both fine and confinement.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, do hereby order the following on a statewide basis effective 12:01 a.m. on April 2, 2020, and continuing through April 30, 2020, subject to extension based on the status of COVID-19 in Texas and the recommendations of the CDC and the White House Coronavirus Task Force:

In accordance with guidance from DSHS Commissioner Dr. Hellerstedt, and to achieve the goals established by the President to reduce the spread of COVID-19, every person in Texas shall, except where necessary to provide or obtain essential services, minimize social gatherings and minimize in-person contact with people who are not in the same household.

“Essential services” shall consist of everything listed by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in its Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce, Version 2.0, plus religious services conducted in churches, congregations, and houses of worship. Other essential services may be added to this list with the approval of the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM). TDEM shall maintain an online list of essential services, as specified in this executive order and in any approved additions. Requests for additions should be directed to TDEM at EssentialServices@tdem.texas.gov or by visiting www.tdem.texas.gov/essentialservices.

In providing or obtaining essential services, people and businesses should follow the Guidelines from the President and the CDC by practicing good hygiene, environmental cleanliness, and sanitation, implementing social distancing, and working from home if possible. In particular, all services should be provided through remote telework from

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home unless they are essential services that cannot be provided through remote telework. If religious services cannot be conducted from home or through remote services, they should be conducted consistent with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC by practicing good hygiene, environmental cleanliness, and sanitation, and by implementing social distancing to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

In accordance with the Guidelines from the President and the CDC, people shall avoid eating or drinking at bars, restaurants, and food courts, or visiting gyms, massage establishments, tattoo studios, piercing studios, or cosmetology salons; provided, however, that the use of drive-thru, pickup, or delivery options for food and drinks is allowed and highly encouraged throughout the limited duration of this executive order.

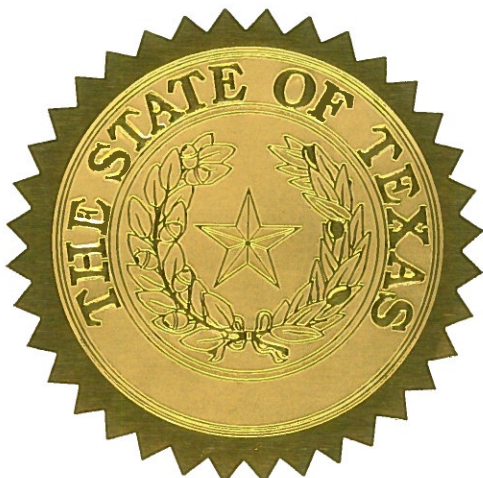
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EXHIBIT G

To Ordinance No. 4773

Order of Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency
dated April 3, 2020
(extending the Declaration of Local Disaster for Dallas County until May 20, 2020)

**ORDER OF CONTINUANCE OF DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER
FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, beginning in December, 2019, a novel coronavirus, now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19, has spread through the world and has now been declared a global pandemic by the World Health Organization; and

WHEREAS, symptoms of COVID-19 include fever, coughing, and shortness of breath. In some cases the virus has caused death; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the County Judge of Dallas County proclaimed a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency ("Local Disaster Declaration") activating the Dallas County emergency management plan; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the Governor of the State of Texas issued a proclamation declaring a state of disaster for all counties in Texas; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Commissioners Court of Dallas County voted to consent to the continuance of the Local Disaster Declaration, extending the Local Disaster Declaration until 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the County Judge has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to contain, mitigate, and prevent the spread of COVID-19 in Dallas County and to facilitate the efficient, rapid, and cooperative response to the emergency;

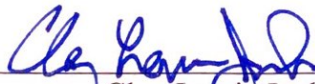
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED BY THE COUNTY JUDGE AND COMMISSIONERS OF DALLAS COUNTY that:

1. A local state of disaster was declared for Dallas County, pursuant to § 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code, on March 12, 2020.
2. On March, 19, 2020, the local state of disaster was continued until 11:59 p.m. on April 3, 2020, with the consent of the Dallas County Commissioners
3. This Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the County Clerk.

4. This Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency affirms the activation of the Dallas County Emergency Management Plan and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster until 11:59 p.m. on MAY 20, 2020, 2020 unless rescinded by order of the Commissioners Court.

5. The County Judge is directed to continue to work with the business community, including in the areas discussed on the record during the commissioners court meeting of April 3, 2020, with the advice of the health care community.

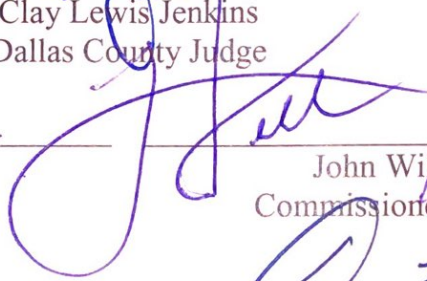
ORDERED this the 3rd day of April 2020 at 11:10 a.m.



Clay Lewis Jenkins
Dallas County Judge



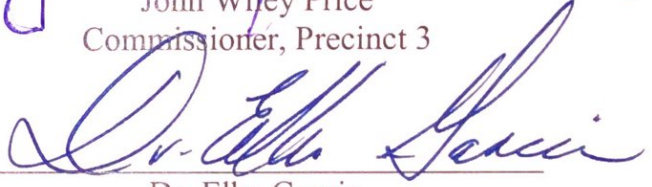
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Commissioner, Precinct 1



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Ordinance No. 4773 Dated May 18, 2020

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