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A PROCLAMATION BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MADISON OF A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY AND ORDER IN FURTHERANCE THEREOF

WHEREAS, On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a **National State of Emergency** due to the coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic, and on March 14, 2020, Governor Tate Reeves declared a **State of Emergency** in the State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Federal and State declared States of Emergency and the Center for Disease Control's guidelines and recommendations on social distancing, on March 16, 2020, the City of Madison issued a directive for the Community Center, all classes at the Madison Square Center for the Arts, all playgrounds, City Parks, athletic fields and organized sports to be closed to public access; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, Governor Tate Reeves issued Executive Order 1463, identifying and defining essential and nonessential services, and on March 26, 2020, issued a Supplement to Executive Order confirming municipal authority to issue more restrictive guidelines as long as the Order does not impose restrictions on "any Essential Business or Operation as identified in Executive Order No. 1463 that would prevent the business "from operating at such level necessary to provide essential services and functions during [the] COVID-19 State of Emergency"; and

WHEREAS, on March 26, 2020, recognizing that many restaurants in the City of Madison had made efforts to modify their operations to include only curbside or take-out orders, the City suspended the mandates of the Sign Ordinance and allowed temporary banners and "stick" signs indicating the availability of curbside service; and

WHEREAS, according to the Mississippi Department of Health and the results provided daily, the virus is continuing to spread in the State of Mississippi and on March 31, 2020, Governor Tate Reeves issued Executive Order 1465, the first "Identify and Isolate Order" for a County in Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, for the health, safety and welfare of the City of Madison, the Mayor of the City of Madison, Mississippi, does hereby declare and proclaim that a "State of Emergency" exists in the City of Madison, Mississippi, as of 12:00 noon Central Standard Time, on April 1, 2020, as a result of the spread of COVID-19, a novel coronavirus, within Mississippi and surrounding areas and the potential impacts to the City of Madison, the undersigned Mayor of the City of Madison, as the Executive of the City of Madison, pursuant to the authority granted by *Miss. Code Ann. Sec. 45-17-3 et seq.* and related statutes, hereby finds and declares that a "Civil Emergency" presently exists in the City of Madison, Mississippi and under the authority of *Miss. Code Ann. Sec. 33-15-17(d) et seq.* and related statutes, finds and declares that a "Local Emergency" presently exists in the City of Madison, Mississippi; and


NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that due to the threat of COVID-19 within the geographic limits of the City of Madison causing or threatening to cause illness, injury or death to persons to such an extent that extraordinary measures must be taken to protect the public health, safety and welfare, as of 12:00 noon Central Standard Time, on April 1, 2020, a "Civil Emergency" and a "Local Emergency" in the City of Madison are hereby declared to exist as a result of the spread of COVID-19 within Mississippi and surrounding areas and the potential impacts thereof which threaten to commence and impact the City of Madison in the State of Mississippi; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, for the health, safety and welfare of the City of Madison, the following mandates are hereby issued and shall take effect at noon on Thursday, April 2, 2020, and shall remain in effect during the State of Emergency until such time as modified, rescinded or amended by the Governing Authority:

1. All Essential Businesses, as defined by Governor Tate Reeves' Executive Order 1463 shall have the authority to continue to provide essential services while following the guidelines provided by the Center for Disease Control.
2. All restaurants shall cease to offer dine-in services, to include patio dining, and shall provide services exclusively through curbside, takeout, drive-thru, or delivery options.
3. All businesses not specifically defined or identified by the Executive Order as Essential Businesses (to include, without limitation, movie theaters, salons/barbershops/spas, tanning salons, nail salons, fitness centers) shall close.
4. The Community Center, all classes at the Madison Square Center for the Arts, all playgrounds, City Parks, athletic fields and organized sports shall remain closed.

IT IS FURTHER DECLARED AND ORDERED that said State of Emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist in the City of Madison until its termination is ordered and proclaimed by the Mayor or Governing Authority; a copy of this proclamation is hereby filed with the Municipal Clerk of the City of Madison and made a public record.

SO ORDERED AND PROCLAIMED on this the 1st day of April, 2020.


Mary Hawkins Rubin
MAYOR

FILED AND ATTESTED BY:

Susan Brandall
CITY CLERK

