

PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY WITHIN THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE

WHEREAS, beginning in December, 2019, a novel coronavirus, now designated COVID-19, was detected in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China, and has since spread throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, extraordinary measures must be taken to contain COVID-19 and prevent its spread throughout the City of Knoxville, including the isolation and potential quarantine of groups of individuals, and property, and additionally, including compelling individuals, groups of individuals, or property to undergo additional health measures that prevent or control the spread of the disease; and

WHEREAS, by statute, the State of Tennessee has provided for the declaration of an Emergency as defined in Tenn. Code Ann. § 38-9-101(2); and

WHEREAS, by ordinance, the City of Knoxville (the "City") has similarly provided for the declaration of an Emergency as defined in City Code § 9-1; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 virus is a condition of danger to the health, welfare and economic well-being of the citizens of the City and may result in an interruption of municipal services affecting the public peace, property, health and safety of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned Indya Kincannon is the duly elected Mayor of the City of Knoxville; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned has made such observations, inquiries, and investigations necessary to determine that an Emergency exists under the law of the State of Tennessee and the Code of the City of Knoxville; and

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the undersigned an Emergency currently exists within the City of Knoxville as defined in Tenn. Code Ann. § 38-9-101(2) and § 58-2-110 and City Code § 9-1; and

WHEREAS, said Emergency constitutes an immediate and significant danger to the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Knoxville, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and appropriate for the undersigned to exercise the authority granted by Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 58-2-110, 38-9-103 and 38-9-104 and City Code §§ 9-5 and 9-6, respectively, to minimize the immediate and significant danger to the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Knoxville.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF KNOXVILLE:

1. Pursuant to the authority vested in me by Article II, §§ 205 and 212 of the Charter of the City of Knoxville, Title 38, Chapter 9 of the Tennessee Code and Chapter 9 of the City Code, I proclaim an Emergency in the City of Knoxville, and invoke the authority granted by

Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 58-2-110, 38-9-103 and 38-9-104, the Charter §§ 205, 211, and 212, as well as City Code §§ 9-5 and 9-6, as necessary, for the duration of the Emergency.

2. This proclamation of an emergency shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed properly with the City Recorder's Office.

3. This proclamation of an emergency activates the City of Knoxville emergency management plan to the extent it has not already been activated.

4. Any individual, group of individuals, or property subject to an Order from the Knox County Public Health Department restricting the movement of that individual or group of individuals or restricting movement to, from, or within that property, shall limit ingress and egress and take such measures as specified by that Order.

5. That this proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

DECLARED this the 16th day of March, 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Indya Kincannon", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

INDYA KINCANNON

Mayor, City of Knoxville