

## **PROCLAMATION DECLARING STATE OF EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, a proclamation declaring a state of emergency was issued by the Mayor of the City of Sand Springs on March 17, 2020, by virtue of the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) global pandemic; and

WHEREAS, since the emergency declaration, the disease has continued to spread in multiple locations throughout the United States and the State of Oklahoma, resulting in additional protective measures imposed by Federal, State and local governments; and

WHEREAS, the state declared emergency for the State of Oklahoma is continuing; and

WHEREAS, the City of Tulsa and other municipalities have imposed executive orders with mandatory limits for certain businesses in an attempt to limit social contact; and

WHEREAS, neither the United States government nor the State of Oklahoma have imposed mandatory closing orders for local businesses within Sand Springs; and

WHEREAS, additional direction to local residents and businesses will assist all in having an appropriate response to the continuing threat; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sand Springs municipal government will rely on each individual business owner to make important health threat decisions for his or her employees and customers, and while the City will offer direction that it believes will provide greater public protection, each individual business owner and patron should make an informed decision about his or her activities; and

WHEREAS, practicing methods such as social distancing is believed to slow the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the spread of COVID-19 is a disaster affecting life, health, and safety of Sand Springs residents and non-residents alike; and

WHEREAS, the pandemic conditions constitute a threat to the safety and welfare of the residents of the City of Sand Springs, and create an emergency situation within the meaning of Section 683.3 of the Oklahoma Emergency Act of 2003, as amended;

NOW, THEREFORE, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CITY CHARTER AND STATE LAW, I, JAMES O. SPOON, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SAND SPRINGS, OKLAHOMA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM AND DECLARE:

**SECTION ONE:** The previously declared state of emergency is continuing pursuant to the original proclamation.

SECTION TWO: All in-person gatherings for social, spiritual and recreational purposes, including but not limited to community, civic, public, leisure, faith-based, or sporting events; parades, concerts, festivals, conventions, fundraisers and similar activities are strongly discouraged until the expiration of this emergency declaration.

SECTION THREE: Restaurants, bars, and other privately owned gathering places are highly encouraged to limit the number of patrons such that at least six (6) feet of space is available to each patron. Such facilities are encouraged to transition to “take-out” or delivery options.

SECTION FOUR: Local gyms and exercise facilities, entertainment venues, churches, and schools are encouraged to discontinue all group activities and to significantly increase and enhance facility cleaning regimens.

SECTION FIVE: To the extent possible during this emergency, the City of Sand Springs shall devote resources, as available, to assist not only local residents, but the business community to react and adjust to the continuing threat, including but not limited to assistance with continuing business operations as appropriate.

SECTION SIX: This proclamation shall become effective 12:01 NOON Thursday, March 19, 2020.

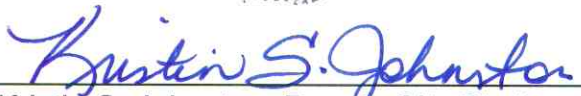
SECTION SEVEN: This state of emergency shall continue until 12:01 AM May 11, 2020, or terminated earlier by further proclamation.

PROCLAIMED THIS 18<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2020.




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James O. Spoon Mayor

  
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Kristin S. Johnston, Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY THIS 19<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2020.

  
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David Weatherford, City Attorney