

**DECLARATION OF LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY IN THE VILLAGE OF
NORTH RIVERSIDE PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 2.08.090
AND 2.08.100 OF THE VILLAGE CODE**

AND

**EMERGENCY DIRECTIVE FOR MANDATORY FACE COVERING IN OPEN
BUSINESSES IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 to be a global pandemic;

WHEREAS, it is recognized that COVID-19 is highly contagious and passed between and among persons via airborne, infectious droplets that may also survive on surfaces for a certain amount of time;

WHEREAS, to date, there is no known drug or vaccine presently approved to treat or prevent COVID-19;

WHEREAS, Governor J.B. Pritzker has issued various Executive Orders, including Executive Orders 2020-07 and 2020-10 issued on March 16 and March 20, 2020, respectively, in response to the significant outbreak of COVID-19 in Illinois and requiring all non-essential persons to stay-at-home, with certain exceptions, and for all non-essential businesses to cease operations;

WHEREAS, these Executive Orders will be in effect through at least April 30, 2020;

WHEREAS, on April 3, 2020, the Center for Disease Control issued a recommendation for all individuals to wear face coverings in public settings where social distancing is difficult to maintain;

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2020, the United States Surgeon General recommended that individuals wear cloth face coverings to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 by the significant number of persons who are asymptomatic;

WHEREAS, within the Village there are a number of essential businesses open to the public offering food, services, and other supplies; the businesses draw a large number of customers, including Village residents and individuals from neighboring communities and areas; social distancing may be difficult to maintain in these settings; and an unknown but significant number of customers may be asymptomatic;

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 20-O-08, grants the Village President additional powers under a declared State of Local Emergency, including the taking of any action reasonably necessary to respond to the declared emergency;

WHEREAS, to deal with COVID-19 and prevent or limit its spread, additional protective measures are reasonably necessary to respond to the severe health danger, including potential loss of additional lives, posed by the virus and for the protection of the all persons within the Village, including residents and business employees and customers.

NOW, THEREFORE, the President of the Village of North Riverside, pursuant to the authority vested in, or entrusted to, the Village President by the Illinois Municipal Code (including 65 ILCS 5/11-1-6), the aforementioned Executive Orders of the Governor, and Ordinance No. 20-O-08, among other applicable authority, declares that a Local State of Emergency, as defined in the Village Code, exists in the Village due to the presence and threat of COVID-19 and the circumstances identified above. The Village President directs that the following mandatory actions be taken by all essential business owners, employees, and customers in the Village as these actions are reasonably necessary to protect their health and to further reduce, limit, or confine the spread of COVID-19 within the community and elsewhere and to further protect health care workers and emergency first responders who tirelessly provide care and resources to all additional persons infected:

1. Mandatory face covering in and near essential businesses. All individuals are required to wear a face covering, covering both their nose and mouth, that is made from any cloth or other material reasonably designed or constructed to inhibit, filter, or restrict the reach of the individual's breath, sneeze, cough, and/or other particles exhaled from the individual's nose or mouth.
 - A. It is not necessary that the covering be "medical grade" or "N95" and this directive does not require or recommend obtaining such coverings for this purpose as they are intended for health care providers and emergency first responders. Appropriate coverings include, but are not limited to, any non-medical grade masks, cloths, plastics, scarves, bandanas or handkerchiefs as long as they cover both the nose and mouth of the individual.
 - B. The coverings must be worn by all individuals working in any business open to the public when workers will be in contact or in close proximity to the customers or merchandise, including, but not limited to, grocery and large retail stores or centers, restaurants (including those providing curbside or home delivery services), hardware and building supply stores, liquor stores, financial institutions, and gas and service stations.
 - C. Coverings must be worn by all individuals patronizing or shopping in essential businesses for food, services, or supplies (including during visits to any healthcare professional or for prescriptions or medication). This directive also applies while the individuals are in any lobby, waiting area or line, parking lot or structure, or other common area attached to or utilized by such businesses.
2. A business owner, operator, or manager may refuse admission or service to any

individual who refuses or fails to wear a face covering as described herein.

3. This directive does not relieve individuals wearing face coverings or any other persons from practicing social distancing in all settings.
4. Village police and officials shall monitor compliance with this directive and shall enforce its provisions, and issue and impose possible municipal citations and fines, suspensions, or closures, as appropriate, for businesses or individuals who violate this directive following a warning.

This Declaration of Local State of Emergency goes into effect immediately. The Emergency Directive for Mandatory Face Coverings while in open businesses shall be effective on April 18, 2020, at 12:01 am. Both the Declaration and the Emergency Directive shall expire either at the adjournment of the next regular or special meeting of the Village Board of Trustees or at 11:59 pm on April 30, 2020, whichever event occurs first, unless the Declaration and Emergency Directive are continued by a majority vote of the Village corporate authorities or by the Village President if the Village Board has not yet met and the emergency still exists.

Issued on this 16th day of April, 2020.



Village President Hubert Hermanek Jr.

ATTEST:



Village Clerk Kathy Ranieri