



**CITY OF GALLATIN  
EXECUTIVE ORDER  
BY THE MAYOR**

**No. 2020-5**

**AN ORDER EXTENDING PROCLAMATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY AND  
DECLARATION OF A CIVIL EMERGENCY**

**March 31, 2020**

**WHEREAS**, Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a respiratory disease caused by the SARS-Co V-2 virus that can result in mild or severe symptoms, including fever, cough, and shortness of breath, and can lead to serious illness or death, particularly in the case of older adults and persons with serious chronic medical conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, COVID-19 is frequently spread through close contact between persons and respiratory transmission; and

**WHEREAS**, COVID-19 was first reported in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China, and traced back to a patient in November 2019 and has since spread throughout the world; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 31, 2020, the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services declared a public health emergency to aid the nation's healthcare community in responding to the COVID-19 outbreak; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 4, 2020, the first case of COVID-19 in the State of Tennessee was identified; and

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

**WHEREAS**, on March 12, 2020, pursuant to the authority granted by Tenn. Code Ann. § 58-2-107, the Governor of Tennessee, Bill Lee, issued Executive Order No. 14, declaring a state of emergency to facilitate the response to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump, declared a national state of emergency with respect to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 17, 2020, I, Paige Brown, Mayor of the City of Gallatin, declared and proclaimed a local state of emergency within the City of Gallatin pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated §§ 38-9-101(2), 38-9-104, 58-8-104 and 58-2-110 and Gallatin Municipal Code § 7-27 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 23, 2020 County Mayor Anthony Holt issued a Safer at Home Declaration for Sumner County to protect the public health of the citizens of Sumner County, to mitigate the impact of COVID-19, to bend the curve, and to disrupt the spread of the virus, with the goal of saving lives and reducing strain on regional healthcare resources as much as possible; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 24, 2020, I, Paige Brown, Mayor of the City of Gallatin, extended the local state of emergency within the City of Gallatin and adopted Sumner County's Safer at Home Declaration by Executive Order 2020-3 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 29, 2020, the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump, extended social distancing guidelines until April 30, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 30, 2020, pursuant to the authority granted by Tenn. Code Ann. § 58-2-107, the Governor of Tennessee, Bill Lee, issued Executive Order Nos. 21 and 22, limiting non-essential services and gatherings and urging Tennesseans to stay home unless engaging in essential services to limit exposure and spread of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, as of March 31, 2020, at the time of execution of this Executive Order, there are at least 1,928 confirmed and reported cases of COVID-19 in Tennessee and at least 212 confirmed and reported cases of COVID-19 in Sumner County; and

**WHEREAS**, the spread and identification of additional cases of COVID-19 in Tennessee, Sumner County and Gallatin is likely to continue, and public health experts anticipate the further spread of COVID-19 throughout the State of Tennessee and the nation, with potentially catastrophic impact on the state's and the nation's health care system; therefore, taking proactive steps to prevent a substantial risk to public health and safety is paramount; and

**WHEREAS**, the transmission of COVID-19 remains a continuing severe danger to public health; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of this Emergency Executive Order No. 2020-5 is to extend the declaration of a civil emergency and proclamation of local state of emergency for another seven (7) days, until April 7, 2020 and to support and adopt the Safer at Home Orders issued by Governor Lee and Sumner County Mayor Anthony Holt.

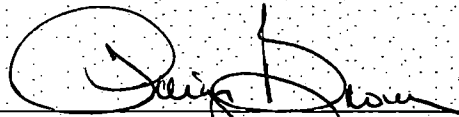
**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Paige Brown, the Mayor of the City of Gallatin, by virtue of the power vested in me under the City's Municipal Code Section 7-27, City of Gallatin Resolution No. R2003-19, and other applicable law, including specifically Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 58-8-104, 58-2-110, 38-9-101(2) and 38-9-104 and the Proclamation of State of Emergency issued On March 17, 2020, do hereby direct and order the following:

**Section 1. Extension and Declaration.** The declaration of a civil emergency and proclamation of local state of emergency issued on March 17, 2020 and extended on March 24, 2020 remains in effect and shall be extended for a period of seven (7) days, until April 7, 2020, unless modified or rescinded by further mayoral action as circumstances require.

**Section 2. Intent of this Order.** The intent of this Order is to extend the declaration of a civil emergency and proclamation of local state of emergency for an additional seven (7) days, until April 7, 2020 and to support and adopt Governor Lee's Executive Order Nos. 17, 21 and 22 and Sumner County's Safer at Home Declaration, which will ensure that the maximum number of people self-isolate in their places of residence to the greatest extent feasible, while enabling essential services to continue, to slow the spread of COVID-19 to the greatest extent feasible. Sumner County's Safer at Home Declaration is incorporated herein and attached hereto as Exhibit A. All provisions of this Order should be interpreted to effectuate this intent.

**Section 3.** This Order is valid and effective immediately for a period not to exceed seven days and may be incrementally extended as deemed necessary.

**ORDERED** this 31st day of March 2020.

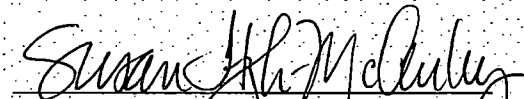


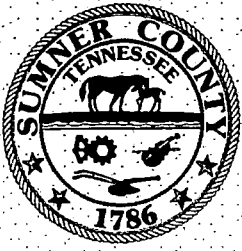
MAYOR PAIGE BROWN

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CITY RECORDER

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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# FROM THE SUMNER COUNTY MAYOR

## SAFER AT HOME DECLARATION

This declaration is being issued to protect the public health of the citizens of Sumner County, to mitigate the impact of COVID-19, to bend the curve, and to disrupt the spread of the virus, with the goal of saving lives and reducing strain on regional healthcare resources as much as possible.

### SECTION 1

Citizens of Sumner County are urged to shelter at home as much as possible. When individuals leave their homes or places of residence, they should practice appropriate social isolation, staying six feet apart, and should assume others are infectious, regardless of whether they exhibit symptoms.

All gatherings are strongly discouraged, and those with more than 10 people are prohibited. Gatherings include any event or convening unrelated to essential services that brings together groups of individuals, including, but not limited to, community, civic, public, leisure, faith-based, or sporting events, parades, concerts, festivals, conventions, fundraisers, and similar activities.

County parks will remain open. Citizens using these open spaces are directed to adhere to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance on social distancing and hand hygiene, remaining 6 feet apart.

Individuals experiencing homelessness, who may include individuals in shelters and homeless encampments, shall not be subject to this order but shall be encouraged to follow CDC guidance on social distancing and hand hygiene.

Exhibit A

## **SECTION 2**

All businesses not performing essential services shall close their business facilities, subject to exceptions stated in this declaration. Facilities shall remain accessible as needed to service computer and other equipment, process mail, and maintain security. Any businesses where there is person to person contact are strongly encouraged to close their business facilities, except when the service is essential service or medically necessary.

Nothing in this declaration shall prohibit any business possessing applicable licenses or permits from conducting deliveries; however, CDC guidance on social distancing shall be followed when possible.

Nothing in this declaration is intended to prohibit individuals from performing business functions of nonessential businesses from their own homes, provided that such business functions comply with existing law and are only performed by residents of that home.

## **SECTION 3**

This declaration does not apply to activities necessary to maintain continuity of operations of critical infrastructure sectors, as outlined at <https://www.cisa.gov/critical-infrastructure-sectors> & <https://www.cisa.gov/identifying-critical-infrastructure-during-covid-19>.

As set forth by the Federal Department of Homeland Security in the link above the federal government has identified 16 critical infrastructure sectors whose assets, systems and networks, whether physical or virtual, are considered so vital to the United States that their incapacitation or destruction would have a debilitating effect on security, economic security, public health or safety, or any combination thereof. Individuals working in these 16 critical infrastructure sectors may continue their work because of the importance of these sectors to the health and well-being of individuals residing or working in Sumner County.

## SECTION 4

This declaration does not apply to the following sectors and businesses and their employees as essential services to protect the health and well-being of all individuals residing or working in Sumner County.

- Federal and state offices and services, and private companies or individuals performing under federal, state, or local government contracts;
- Essential government functions including, but not limited to, law enforcement, public transportation, and businesses that provide government programs and services, including functions assisting economically disadvantaged populations and individuals experiencing homelessness;
- Companies providing media, communication and telecommunication services;
- Grocery and beverage stores, farmers markets, food banks, caterers, convenience stores selling food, agriculture, food manufacturing and processing, feed mills, and other businesses that directly support the food supply, including but not limited to farming, livestock, and food cultivation;
- Health care, mental and behavioral health, biomedical research, laboratory services, and other businesses that directly support the healthcare industry including, but not limited to, health information technology, staffing and supplies;
- Sanitation and waste removal;
- Energy, water, and sewage businesses and services;
- Pharmacies, medical supply, and other businesses that directly support the drug and medical supply pipeline;
- Vehicle fuel, support, and service stations, vehicle parts and repair businesses, and vehicle sales, leasing and rental businesses;
- Banks, savings and loans, insurance companies, accounting businesses, and other business that directly support the insurance and financial services sectors;
- Real property marketing, leasing, purchase, and sale services;
- Legal and judicial services;
- Laundromats, laundry, and cleaning services;
- Home and business structure and equipment repair, hardware, building supply, and appliance sale and repairs;
- Warehousing and storage facilities;

- Construction, architectural, engineering, or surveying services;
- Product logistics, transport, and distribution businesses;
- Parcel transportation and delivery businesses;
- Veterinary and pet supply business and services;
- Home and business cleaning and maintenance services;
- Educational institutions, public and private K-12 schools, private colleges and universities, trade schools, post-secondary, and technical colleges, but only as needed to facilitate online or distance learning and essential functions;
- Landscaping and nurseries;
- Production, distribution, and sale of household consumer goods such as cleaning and personal care products;
- Essential building maintenance and security;
- Individuals whose job functions require them to be at their work location and who are essential to preserving the information systems, accounting, and human resource infrastructures of any business which is otherwise in substantial compliance with this order;
- Nonprofit entities providing support and assistance to victims of the tornado that struck Nashville and surrounding counties on March 3, 2020, and the COVID-19 epidemic; and
- Other businesses and services that may be determined are essential for the continued safety and security of Sumner County.

## **SECTION 5**

The following businesses may remain open subject to compliance with the following conditions:

- Daycare and childcare business shall prioritize children of parents working for essential infrastructure sectors, businesses, or service providers to the extent practicable.
- Assisted living facilities, nursing homes, adult daycare centers, home health businesses, and senior residential facilities shall follow CDC guidance on social distancing and hand hygiene to the extent practicable. Non-essential social and educational programs at senior citizen and other assisted living communities and centers shall end until further notice.
- Hotels, short term rental properties, commercial lodges, and dormitories shall cease entertainment or dine-in services, subject to allowing food and beverage pick-up and room-service.

## **SECTION 6**

Essential services, especially grocery stores and pharmacies, shall make best efforts to establish hours of operations during which their services are available only to senior citizens or otherwise vulnerable populations.

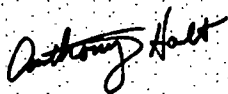
Essential services shall continue to adhere to CDC guidance on social distancing and hand hygiene in the workplace, including encouraging work-from-home and allowing employees when possible to work on-site in shifts to optimize social distancing in the workplace, where possible.

Essential services are encouraged to utilize, to the maximum extent possible, any telecommuting or work-from-home procedures they can safely utilize.

## **SECTION 7**

If any provision, sentence, clause, phrase, or word, of this declaration or any application of it to any individual, business, or circumstance is held to be invalid by a decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, then such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions or applications of this declaration.

This Declaration shall be effective at 12:01 AM CDT on March 24, 2020, and shall remain in effect for 7 days and subject to extension.



Anthony Holt  
Sumner County Mayor

Date: 3/23/2020