



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

No. 2020-8

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

April 21, 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, on March 31, 2020, County Mayor Anthony Holt extended the Safer at Home Declaration for Sumner County to April 7, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 31, 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 2020-5 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on April 2, 2020, pursuant to the authority granted by Tenn. Code Ann. § 58-2-107, the Governor of Tennessee, Bill Lee, issued Executive Order No. 23, clarifying and strengthening Executive Order No. 22 requiring all persons in Tennessee to stay at home except when engaging in essential activity or essential services, as defined in Executive Order No. 22 to limit exposure and spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on April 6, 2020, County Mayor Anthony Holt extended the Safer at Home Declaration for Sumner County to April 14, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 31, 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 2020-5 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on April 7, 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 2020-6 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on April 13, 2020, pursuant to the authority granted by Tenn. Code Ann. § 58-2-107, the Governor of Tennessee, Bill Lee, issued Executive Order No. 27, extending temporary social distancing and stay-at-home provisions of Executive Order Nos. 17, 21, 22 and 23 until April 30, 2020 to preserve and increase the containment of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on April 13, 2020, County Mayor Anthony Holt extended the Safer at Home Declaration for Sumner County to April 21, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on April 14, 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 2020-7 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on April 20, 2020, County Mayor Anthony Holt extended the Safer at Home Declaration for Sumner County to April 28, 2020; and

WHEREAS, as of April 21, 2020, at the time of execution of this Executive Order, there are at least 7,394 confirmed and reported cases of COVID-19 in Tennessee and at least 530 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. 2020-8 is to extend the declaration of a civil emergency and proclamation of local state of emergency for another seven (7) days, until April 28, 2020 and to support and adopt the Stay at Home Order issued by Governor Lee and the Safer at Home Order issued by 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, March 31, 2020, April 7, 2020, and April 14, 2020 remains in effect and shall be extended for a period of seven (7) days, until April 28, 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 28, 2020 and to support and adopt Governor Lee's Executive Order Nos. 17, 21, 22, 23 and 27 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 (7) days and may be incrementally extended as deemed necessary.


ORDERED this 21st day of April 2020.


MAYOR PAIGE BROWN

ATTEST:


CONNIE KITTRELL
CITY RECORDER

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


SUSAN HIGH-MCAULEY
CITY ATTORNEY