



OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

PROCLAMATION NUMBER 21 CLS 2021

*TERMINATION OF PROCLAMATION NUMBER 13 CLS 2021
AND PROMULGATION OF REVISED MITIGATION MEASURES
STATE OF EMERGENCY - CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19)*

- WHEREAS,** the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act, La. R.S. 29:721 *et seq.*, confers upon the President of the Parish of Jefferson powers to deal with emergencies and disasters, including those caused by fire, flood, earthquake or other natural or manmade causes, in order to ensure that the preparations of this parish will be adequate to respond to such emergencies or disasters and to preserve the lives and property of the people of the Parish of Jefferson; and
- WHEREAS,** La. R.S. 29:727(D) empowers the President of the Parish of Jefferson to declare a local disaster or emergency, which shall continue until the President finds that the threat of danger has been dealt with to the extent that emergency conditions no longer exist; and
- WHEREAS,** on March 12, 2020, Proclamation No. 01 CLS 2020 was issued, which declared a state of emergency to exist within and throughout the Parish of Jefferson as a result of the novel coronavirus named SARS-CoV-2 and the respiratory disease known as Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19); and
- WHEREAS,** on July 27, 2021, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) revised its guidance with respect to mask wearing by fully vaccinated individuals; and
- WHEREAS,** on July 29, 2021, Proclamation No. 12 CLS 2021 was issued, which terminated Proclamation No. 11 CLS 2021, re-instituted and broadened the requirement that masks or face coverings be worn in unincorporated Jefferson Parish within the common areas of Jefferson Parish government buildings, and continued the suspension of certain Jefferson Parish procurement ordinances with respect to goods and services necessary to respond to the COVID-19 State of Emergency; and
- WHEREAS,** on August 2, 2021, Governor John Bel Edwards issued Proclamation No. 137 JBE 2021, which reinstated the statewide mask mandate effective August 4, 2021 in response to the State of Louisiana's rapid increase in COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations; and
- WHEREAS,** on August 3, 2021, Proclamation No. 13 CLS 2021 was issued, which terminated Proclamation No. 12 CLS 2021, instituted the requirement that individuals in unincorporated Jefferson Parish wear a mask or face covering over the nose and mouth when indoors in any place outside of a private residence, and provided for exceptions to the requirement; and
- WHEREAS,** on October 26, 2021, Governor John Bell Edwards issued Proclamation No. 203 JBE 2021, which lifts the statewide face covering requirement for most public settings effective October 27, 2021 in response to a reduction in the number of cases, test percent positivity, and hospitalizations in the State of Louisiana; and
- WHEREAS,** in response to these changing circumstances, it is necessary to revise the existing Jefferson Parish face mask/face covering requirement; and

WHEREAS, these measures are necessary to protect the health and safety of the people of Jefferson Parish.

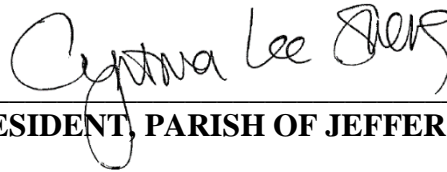
NOW THEREFORE, I, CYNTHIA LEE SHENG, President of the Parish of Jefferson, by virtue of the authority vested by the laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: That Proclamation Number 13 CLS 2021, signed on August 3, 2021, is hereby terminated.

SECTION 2: The provisions of Division 2 and Division 3.1 of Article VII of Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances of Jefferson Parish, Louisiana are hereby suspended with respect to the procurement of any goods or services necessary to respond to this emergency. The suspension provided for in this section is retroactive to the commencement of the emergency on March 12, 2020.

SECTION 3: This order shall be effective on October 27, 2021.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially on this 26th day of October, 2021.



PRESIDENT, PARISH OF JEFFERSON