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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

PROCLAMATION NUMBER 11 CLS 2021

PROMULGATION OF REVISED COVID-19 MITIGATION MEASURES

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 caused by it known as Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, on June 22, 2021, Governor John Bel Edwards issued Proclamation No. 117 JBE 2021, which renewed the emergency declaration and mitigation measures for the COVID-19 Emergency; and issued Proclamation No. 118 JBE 2021 which renewed certain emergency provisions necessary to protect the health and safety of the people of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to again extend some of the additional measures promulgated by Proclamation Nos. 01 CLS 2020, 02 CLS 2020, 03 CLS 2020, 04 CLS 2020, 05 CLS 2020, 06 CLS 2020, 07 CLS 2020, 09 CLS 2020; 11 CLS 2020, 12 CLS 2020, 14 CLS 2020, 15 CLS 2020, 18 CLS 2020, 20 CLS 2020, 21 CLS 2020, 22 CLS 2020, 1 CLS 2021, 2 CLS 2021, 4 CLS 2021, 5 CLS 2021, 7 CLS 2021, 8 CLS 2021, and 9 CLS 2021; 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: All buildings and offices of Jefferson Parish shall encourage all employees and visitors to wear a face covering over the nose and mouth, unless the person has been fully vaccinated with a COVID-19 vaccine. However, face coverings will not be required for entrance.

SECTION 2: In unincorporated Jefferson Parish face coverings are to be worn over the nose and mouth upon entering and while present on any public transportation or paratransit vehicles.

SECTION 3: The following individuals are exempt from wearing a face mask/covering under the provisions of this order:



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- Persons younger than age two. These very young children must not wear a face covering because of the risk of suffocation.
- Persons with a medical condition, mental health condition, or disability that prevents wearing a face covering. This includes persons with a medical condition for whom wearing a face covering could obstruct breathing or who are unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove a face covering without assistance.
- Persons who are hearing impaired, or communicating with a person who is hearing impaired, where the ability to see the mouth is essential for communication.
- Persons for whom wearing a face covering would create a risk to the person related to their work, as determined by local, state, or federal regulators or workplace safety guidelines.
- Persons who are obtaining a service involving the nose or face for which temporary removal of the face covering is necessary to perform the service.
- Persons who are exercising their right to vote in a federal, state, or local election.

SECTION 4: Enforcement of these requirements will be handled by any authorized law enforcement agency, and the Jefferson Parish Department of Property Maintenance Zoning/Quality of Life is also hereby empowered to enforce the provisions of this order.

SECTION 5: That 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 7: This order shall be effective at 12:40 p.m. on June 23, 2021, and shall remain in effect until the Parish President finds the threat of danger has been dealt with and the emergency conditions no longer exist, unless terminated sooner

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially on this 23rd day of June, 2021.



PRESIDENT, PARISH OF JEFFERSON

