



## OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

## PROCLAMATION NUMBER 05 CLS 2020

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*CONTINUATION OF ADDITIONAL MEASURES FOR  
STATE OF EMERGENCY - CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19)*

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- 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 March 18, 2020, Proclamation No. 02 CLS 2020 was issued, which suspended the provisions of the Code of Ordinances relative to the requirement that a permit be obtained prior to erecting temporary signage on public rights-of-way, and temporarily transferred the functions of the Personnel Director and Personnel Board to the Office of the Parish President for the purpose of promulgating an emergency rule regarding civil leave without loss of pay; and
- WHEREAS,** on March 23, 2020, Proclamation No. 03 CLS 2020 was issued, which closed a number of Parish buildings and offices to the public; and
- WHEREAS,** on April 9, 2020, Proclamation No. 04 CLS 2020 was issued, which extended the emergency rule promulgated in Section 1 of Proclamation No. 02 CLS 2020 until 11:59 p.m. on April 17, 2020, extended the other additional measures promulgated by Proclamation Nos. 02 CLS 2020 and 03 CLS 2020 until April 30, 2020, and suspended certain procurement provisions of the Code of Ordinances of Jefferson Parish, Louisiana pertaining to the procurement of any goods or services necessary to respond to the emergency; and
- WHEREAS,** on April 27, 2020, Governor John Bel Edwards announced that he will extend Louisiana's Stay at Home order until May 15 to continue to slow the spread of COVID-19; and
- WHEREAS,** it is necessary to extend some of the additional measures promulgated by Proclamation Nos. 02 CLS 2020, 03 CLS 2020, and 04 CLS 2020.



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:** Jefferson Parish Government will follow the pay rules promulgated by the federal government in the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) which established the Emergency Paid Sick Leave Act (EPSLA) and the Emergency Family and Medical Leave Expansion Act (EFMLEA).

**SECTION 2:** That the provisions of the Code of Ordinances of Jefferson Parish, Louisiana relative to the requirement that a permit be obtained prior to erecting temporary signage on public rights of way are hereby suspended, subject to the following limitations: (1.) the temporary signage shall be installed without obstructing the view of traffic; (2.) the temporary signage shall not hinder the use of sidewalks; (3.) the signage shall be no larger than 36" x 36" in size; and (4.) the temporary signage erected may only advertise or inform the public relative to the operations of a Jefferson Parish business that is licensed to serve food.

**SECTION 3:** In addition to any previously announced closures that are listed on the Jefferson Parish Government website (<http://www.jeffparish.net>), the following Parish buildings shall be closed to the public:

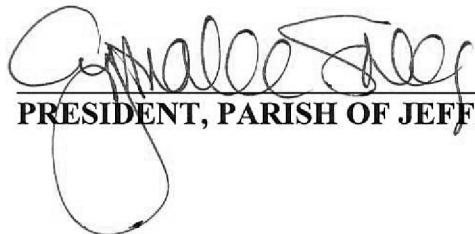
1. Joseph S. Yenni Building, 1221 Elmwood Park Blvd., Jefferson, LA
2. General Government Building, 200 Derbigny St., Gretna, LA
3. West Bank offices of the Department of Inspection and Code Enforcement and the Department of Property Maintenance Zoning and Quality of Life, 1855 Ames Blvd., Suite A, Marrero, LA

Parish departments located within these buildings remain open. Those needing to transact business with a department or government agency located within a facility closed to the public should do so remotely by telephone, facsimile, e-mail, or through online tools available on the Parish website ([www.jeffparish.net](http://www.jeffparish.net)). Appointments will be required for any in-person business that cannot be accomplished remotely.

**SECTION 4:** 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 5:** Except as otherwise provided in this order, these provisions shall be effective from April 30, 2020 to May 15, 2020, or as extended by any subsequent proclamation, unless terminated sooner.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2020 at 1 p .m.

  
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PRESIDENT, PARISH OF JEFFERSON

