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EXECUTIVE ORDER 20-02

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON EFFECTIVE DATES FOR MONROE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER DATED JULY 17, 2020

PURSUANT TO STATE AND LOCAL LAW,
INCLUDING INDIANA CODE §§ 36-8-2-4 and 5, and § 36-1-3 *et seq.*

WHEREAS, the City of Bloomington, Indiana (“City”) recognizes the significant challenges presented by the novel coronavirus disease, also known as “COVID-19,” which has posed a serious public health threat to our community and was declared a global pandemic by the World Health Organization on March 11, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Indiana’s Governor declared a statewide disaster emergency pursuant to Indiana Code 10-14-3 in his Executive Order 20-02, which has been renewed four times, most recently in Executive Order 20-34 which expires on August 3, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on Friday, July 17th, the Monroe County Health Department issued a Public Health Order (“County Order”), citing “the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the recent increase of new cases nationwide with a trend towards cases in a younger population, Monroe County’s increasing and dynamic population, and [the need] to ensure that physical distancing and preventive measures vital to the mitigation of the pandemic remain in place;” and

WHEREAS, the County Order was effective Friday, July 17, 2020 at 5:00 p.m., with the exception of measures outlined in Paragraphs 7-9 of the County Order, which have an effective date of July 31st at 12:00 noon; and

WHEREAS, the City wholeheartedly supports the provisions of the County Order, but believes that due to circumstances and conditions within its boundaries, including its population mix of full-time residents and Indiana University students hailing from across the country, the lack of sufficient testing to meet the demand for tests in Monroe County, and the fact that off campus students enrolling at Indiana University for the fall semester of 2020 will not be required to undergo COVID testing prior to their arrival in Bloomington, the City must expedite the effective dates for the requirements of Paragraphs 7-9 of the County Order for the protection of the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as the Mayor of the City of Bloomington, Indiana, it is hereby ordered:

- 1. Within the City of Bloomington, the requirements of Paragraph 7 of the County Order shall be effective on July 23, 2020 at 12:00**



p.m. (noon). As of that date and time, gatherings at all non-commercial events held within the boundaries of the City of Bloomington shall be limited to no more than fifty (50) persons. Such gatherings include private gatherings or those held at a personal residence (including fraternities and sororities located in the City of Bloomington and on or off the Indiana University campus). All other provisions of Paragraph 7 of the County Order except for the effective date and time shall remain as set forth in the County Order. Face covering and physical distancing requirements apply to these gatherings.

2. Within the City of Bloomington, the requirements of Paragraph 8 of the County Order shall be effective on July 23, 2020 at 12:00

p.m. (noon). As of that date and time, gatherings at all commercial events held within the boundaries of the City of Bloomington, or those held at venues that are, in the normal course of business, offered to the general public for rent or use within the boundaries of the City of Bloomington, shall be limited to no more than one hundred (100) people if the gathering is held inside, or one hundred fifty (150) people if the gathering is held outside. All other provisions of Paragraph 8 of the County Order except for the effective date and time shall remain as set forth in the County Order. Face covering and physical distancing requirements apply to these gatherings.

3. Within the City of Bloomington, the requirements of Paragraph 9 of the County Order shall be effective on July 23, 2020 at 12:00

p.m. (noon). As of that date and time, restaurants, bars and nightclubs within the boundaries of the City of Bloomington must have and require table-top seating for all patrons and must require patrons to remain seated at tables, and may not have bar-top service. They must follow the following requirements:

- a. They are encouraged to use outdoor seating as much as possible.
- b. Groups of patrons must be spaced at least six (6) feet apart.
- c. Party size must be limited to ten (10) people or fewer at each table.
- d. Air ventilation should be increased to maximum capacity, or at least six (6) air changes per hour.

4. Except as set forth above, all other provisions of the County Order shall be applicable in the City of Bloomington as written in the County Order.



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5. Executive Order No. 20-02 is hereby established and is effective immediately. This Order shall expire on August 1, 2020, or if the County Order is amended to extend the effective date of July 31, 2020 for Paragraphs 7-9, then on such later date as contained in the amendment.

DATED this 20th day of July, 2020.

CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA

By: 
John Hamilton, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

By: 
Philippa Guthrie, Corporation Counsel