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CITY OF COLUMBUS
DECLARING LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, there is a global COVID-19 Pandemic; and,

WHEREAS, the President of the United States has declared a National Emergency; and,

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Minnesota has declared a Peacetime Emergency; and,

WHEREAS, Subject Matter Experts have determined that proactive measures must be undertaken to reduce the impact of COVID-19, and activity will be beyond the usual resources of Anoka County AND the City of Columbus; and,

WHEREAS, response and support to affected individuals, communities, medical systems, business and government has caused significant impact to the city as a whole; and,

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes, Section 12.29 authorizes the Mayor of the City of Columbus to declare a local emergency in the City of Columbus valid for up to 72 hours after which a meeting of the Columbus City Council will be held to continue this Declaration.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, I Jesse H. Preiner, as Mayor of the City of Columbus, declare the City of Columbus to be in a Local State of Emergency on March 17th, 2020, and thereafter, due to the ongoing and expected response to and recovery from COVID-19 Pandemic; and further direct the City Administrator and the Public Works Superintendent to coordinate any and all local, state and federal assistance as needed to protect lives and public and private property in the City of Columbus and the recovery of the City from the impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic to the extent practicable and allowed by law, ordinance and resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that I direct the City Administrator and City Attorney to ensure a formal Request for City Council Action be put forward to a meeting of the City Council within 72 hours as required by law.

By: Jesse H Preiner
Jesse H. Preiner
Its: Mayor

ATTEST:

Elizabeth Mursko
Elizabeth Mursko, City Administrator

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