COVID-19 EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-04

- WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, Governor J.B Pritzker issued a disaster proclamation (the "Disaster Proclamation") due to the impact of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19") and declared all counties in the State of Illinois as a disaster area and on March 13, 2020, President Donald Trump issued a proclamation declaring a national emergency concerning the COVID-19 outbreak; and
- WHEREAS, in a short period of time, COVID-19 has rapidly spread throughout Illinois, necessitating updated and more stringent guidance from federal, state, and local public health officials; and
- WHEREAS, on March 20, 2020, Governor J.B. Pritzker issued Executive Order 2020-10, pursuant to Sections, 7(1), 7(2), 7(8), 7(10), and 7(12) of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act 20 ILCS 3305, requiring Illinois residents to stay at home, effective March 21, 2020, and through the remainder of the duration of the Disaster Proclamation (the "Stay at Home Order"); and
- WHEREAS, on April 1, 2020, Governor J.B. Pritzker issued Executive Order 2020-18, which extended the duration of the Disaster Proclamation, including the Stay at Home Order, through April 30, 2020; and
- WHEREAS, the Stay at Home Order lays out three main directives: (1) stay at home, except for essential activities; (2) non-essential business and operations must cease; and (3) all gatherings of more than ten (10) people are prohibited; and
- WHEREAS, to further protect Illinois residents, the Stay at Home Order permits individuals to leave their residence only to perform certain "Essential Activities;" and
- WHEREAS, providing Essential Government Functions is considered an "Essential Activity" and therefore, a permitted travel use, and an exception to the Stay at Home Order; and
- WHEREAS, an Essential Government Function includes all services provided by a municipal agency of government, or a contractor of the government agency that is needed to ensure the continuing operation of the government agency or to provide for or support the health, safety and welfare of the public; and
- WHEREAS, a government body shall determine its Essential Governmental Functions and identify employees and/or contractors necessary to the performance of those functions; and
- WHEREAS, pursuant to the directives outlined in the Stay at Home Order, it is necessary to determine the Essential Governmental Functions of the Town of Cicero (the "Town") and to take measures to ensure that Town employees and contractors are able to carry out these functions effectively and safely, while maintaining social distancing of six (6) feet as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (the "CDC"); and
- WHEREAS, most recently, on April 9, 2020, the CDC issued a new recommendation to help slow the spread of COVID-19 which advised individuals to wear cloth face coverings in

- public settings as an additional, voluntary public health measure; and
- WHEREAS, the number of suspected COVID-19 cases in Illinois is increasing exponentially and across more locations in Illinois, indicating that drastic social distancing measures are needed in order to reduce the number of people who become sick at any given time and the possibility of exhausting health care resources; and
- WHEREAS, it is necessary and appropriate to immediately take measures to protect the employees/contractors providing services for the Town and residents in response to COVID-19;
- **NOW, THEREFORE,** by the powers vested in me as the President of the Town of Cicero, and pursuant to Chapter 34 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Cicero, Illinois (the "Town Code"), I hereby declare that a state of emergency exists within the Town of Cicero and order the following:
- **SECTION 1:** Effective April 15, 2020, all Town employees and visitors shall wear face coverings in accordance with CDC recommendations while in Cicero Town Hall, any Town building or any Town facility. Town employees who do not possess a previously Town-issued mask, may alternatively, wear a homemade mask and/or bandana as a substitute. This Order shall apply to all Town employees working for any Town department during the course of their shift, whether in a Town building or driving a Town vehicle occupied by more than one (1) person.
- **SECTION 2:** If any Town employee or visitor refuses to wear a face covering while in Cicero Town Hall, any Town building, or any Town facility, that individual shall be denied entry and be subject to discipline, up to and including termination.
- **SECTION 3:** As applicable, all Department Heads shall see that a maximum of two (2) employees occupy any Town vehicle, except Fire Apparatus and Forestry Division Units.
- **SECTION 4:** All infection control practices, including but not limited to, regular hand washing, coughing and sneezing etiquette, and proper tissue usage and disposal shall be enforced.
- **SECTION 5:** Sanitization of high-touch areas including restrooms, break rooms, equipment, machinery and vehicles shall continue as per previous orders.
- **SECTION 6:** All Town employees and visitors entering or leaving Cicero Town Hall, any Town building, or any Town facility shall observe the 6-foot social distancing requirement.
- **SECTION 7:** This Executive Order shall expire not later than the adjournment of the first regular meeting of the Corporate Authorities after the date of this Order unless sooner terminated by Proclamation of the Town President or unless amended or extended pursuant to the Town Code.
- **SECTION 8:** This Executive Order shall be distributed in accordance with the Town Code.
 - SECTION 9: This Executive Order is not intended to, and does not, except as

specifically set forth herein, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the Town of Cicero, its departments, agencies, or entities, its officers, employees, or agents, or any other person. This Executive Order shall be deposited and kept immediately available on file for inspection in the office of the Town Clerk.

Larry Dominick, Town President

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Maria Punzo-Arias

Town Clerk