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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR EXTENSION OF EMERGENCY PROVISIONS AND MITIGATION MEASURES

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act LA R.S. 29:721 et seq., the Governor declared a Public Health Emergency in Proclamation Number 25 JBE 2020 in response to the threat posed by COVID-19 and additional measures in Proclamation Number JBE 2020-27 with respect to additional restrictions and suspensions of deadlines and regulations in order to protect the health and safety of the public; and

WHEREAS, although the first signs of a peak in the fifth surge of COVID-19 appear to be present, the Omicron variant remains a significant threat to the people of Louisiana and it remains vital that the citizens of the City of Crowley follow the guidance of the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) which include staying home and isolated when symptomatic, observing quarantine and isolation standards and masking in public places in areas of high transmission; and

WHEREAS, it is vital that citizens of the City of Crowley remain vigilant of the risks presented by COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, these measures are necessary to protect the health and safety of the people of the City of Crowley;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Tim Monceaux, Mayor of the City of Crowley, by virtue of the authority to make said declarations, do hereby declare a state of emergency continues to exist as a result of the continued threat imposed to the citizens of the City of Crowley and do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: GENERAL PROVISIONS

A. Pursuant to the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act (LA R.S. 29:721 et seq) and the Louisiana Health Emergency Powers Act (LA R.S 29:760 et seq), a statewide public health emergency

was declared to continue to exist in the State of Louisiana as a result of the continued threat posed to Louisiana citizens by COVID-19, the effects of which continue to threaten the lives and health of the citizens of the state and the City of Crowley.

B. The office of the Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby expressly empowered to take any and all actions authorized under the Louisiana Health Emergency Powers Act, LA R.S. 29:760 et seq, in relation to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

SECTION 2: COVID-19 MITIGATION MEASURES

- A. To preserve the public health and safety and to ensure the healthcare system is capable of serving all citizens in need, all individuals within the City of Crowley should stay at home as much as possible to avoid unnecessary exposure to COVID-19.
- B. All individuals who are higher risk of severe illness from COVID-19 should stay at home, unless travelling outside the home for an essential activity such as:
 - 1. Obtaining food, medicine and other similar goods necessary for the individual or a family member of the individual.
 - 2. Obtaining medical care and treatment and other similar vital services for an individual or a family member of the individual.
 - 3. Going to and from an individual's workplace.
 - 4. Going to and from the home of a family member.
 - 5. Going to and from an individual's place of worship.
 - 6. Engaging in outdoor activity, provided individuals maintain a distance of six feet from one another.

Those individuals who are at higher risk of severe illness, as designated by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), are those with conditions such as asthma, chronic lung disease, compromised immune systems (including from smoking, cancer treatment, bone marrow or organ transplantation, immune deficiencies, poorly controlled HIV or AIDS, or use of corticosteroids or other immune weakening medications), diabetes, serious heart disease (including heart failure, coronary artery disease, congenital heart disease, cardiomyopathies and hypertension), chronic kidney disease undergoing dialysis, liver disease or severe obesity or those who are 65 or older or living in a nursing home or long-term care facility.

SECTION 3: FACE COVERINGS

A. All individuals in the City of Crowley are recommended to wear a face covering over the nose and mouth when indoors in any place outside of a

private residence except in the circumstances provided for in Subsection (C) below.

- B. In accordance with the order issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on January 29, 2021, all individuals shall wear a face covering over the nose and mouth while passengers and operators of public conveyances, including airplanes, ships, ferries, trains, buses, taxis, rideshares and the corresponding transportation hubs. The CDC order is found at https://www/cdc.gov/quarantine/pdf/Mask-Order-CDC_GMTF-01-29-21-p.pdf.
- C. The recommendations in Subsection (A) do not apply to the following:
 - a. Any individual who will not come into contact with any other individual (outside of their immediate household members) or who will be able to maintain strict social distancing of six feet apart from any other individual (outside of their immediate household members);
 - b. Any child under the age of five not enrolled in a kindergarten program, however all children between the ages of two and five years old are strongly encouraged to wear a face covering in accordance with Subsection (A) above;
 - c. Any individual with a medical condition that prevents the wearing of a face covering;
 - d. Any individual who is consuming food or drinks;
 - e. Any individual seeking to communicate with someone who has or is suspected of having a communication disorder;
 - f. Any individual giving a speech for broadcast or to an audience;
 - g. Any individual temporarily removing his or her face covering for identification purposes; or
 - h. Any athlete participating in organized athletic activities.
- D. All local governing authorities and operators of private businesses and organizations shall retain the authority to issue more restrictive measures than that imposed by the State.
- E. All offices of the City of Crowley are hereby authorized to set a face covering policy which may include a face covering mandate for employees, visitors and other members of the public.
- F. If a business or organization does not allow entry to a worker, customer or patron because that person refuses to wear a face covering and if that worker, customer or patron enters the premises or refuses to leave the premises, law enforcement personnel may enforce the trespassing laws and any other laws that the worker, customer or patron may violate.

SECTION 4: All departments, commissions, boards, agencies and officers of the City of Crowley are authorized and directed to cooperate in actions the City of Crowley and the State of Louisiana may take in response to the effects of this event.

SECTION 5: Unless otherwise provided in this order, these provisions are effective immediately from Wednesday, January 19, 2022, to Wednesday, February 16, 2022, or as extended by any subsequent declaration or unless terminated sooner.

THUS ISSUED effective the 19th day of January, 2022, **DONE AND SIGNED** in the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana on this the 35th day of 400, 2022.

TIM MONCEAUX, Mayor

ATTESTED BY:

SHANTEL ALLEMAN, City Clerk

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