



CITY OF REVERE DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization designated the 2019 novel Coronavirus outbreak as a Public Health Emergency of International Concern;

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, United States Health and Human Services Secretary Alex M. Azar II declared a public health emergency for the entire United States to aid the nation's healthcare community in responding to the 2019 novel Coronavirus ("COVID-19");

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, the Governor of Massachusetts Charles D. Baker declared a State of Emergency in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts pursuant to the powers provided by Chapter 639 of the Acts of 1950 (Civil Defense Act) and Section 2A of Chapter 17 of the General Laws;

WHEREAS, certain powers and authority of the Civil Defense Act allow for municipalities to exercise extraordinary powers to conserve the public peace, while tailoring such actions to the exigency of the circumstances and the necessity to protect the public;

WHEREAS, the City of Revere shall take all steps necessary to implement and enforce the Orders, Directives, and Advisories issued by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts pursuant to the State of Emergency, and from time to time the City of Revere will further issue such Orders, Directives and Advisories to that end and to protect the public peace, health, and safety;

WHEREAS, the disease Covid-19 is a highly-contagious, potentially fatal, respiratory disease;

WHEREAS, the disease can spread from person to person via respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes;

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Health has informed the City of Revere Board of Health of confirmed incidents of Covid 19 in the City of Revere;

WHEREAS, it is a statistical certainty that the incidents of Covid 19 in the City of Revere will continue to escalate and that related deaths will result;

WHEREAS, the outbreak of Covid 19 presents a clear and present risk of person-to-person transmission and significantly endangers the life and health of our people;

WHEREAS, it is critical to take extraordinary measures to prepare for, respond to, and mitigate the spread of COVID-19 to protect the health and welfare of the people of the City of Revere, and

WHEREAS, declaring a State of Emergency will facilitate and expedite the use of federal, state, and local resources and deployment personnel to protect persons from the impacts of the spread of COVID-19;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Brian M. Arrigo, Mayor of the City of Revere, do hereby issue this Declaration that there now exists in the City of Revere STATE OF EMERGENCY, effective immediately and to remain in effect until in my judgment, informed by the judgment of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the City of Revere Board of Health, the immediate threat to public health and safety abates and the State of Emergency no longer exists.

Declared on this 19th day of March, 2020.



Brian M. Arrigo
Mayor of the City of Revere