

# ***COVID-19 MAYORAL PROCLAMATION NO. 1***

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of COVID-19 to be a public health emergency of international concern and on March 11, 2020 declared it a worldwide pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a National Emergency concerning the COVID-19 outbreak; and

WHEREAS, on March 26, 2020, the City Council approved an Ordinance Declaring a Local Emergency Due to the COVID-19 Virus and Enacting Various Emergency Measures; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Illinois issued a disaster proclamation on March 9, 2020, due to the impact of the COVID-19 virus and has activated the State Emergency Operations Center; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2020, the Governor of the State of Illinois issued Executive Order 2020-10 ("Stay-at-Home Order"), putting in place a stay-at-home order, ceasing non-essential business operations, limiting the number of people at gatherings to 10 and closing all places of public amusement; and

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2020, the Governor of the State of Illinois extended the Stay-at-Home Order through April 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's Stay-at-Home Order may be enforced by State and local law; and

WHEREAS, since its enactment, the City of Bloomington has been enforcing the Governor's Stay-at-Home Order by engaging in community caretaking, including providing extra patrols of City parks and public gathering locations, by giving disperse orders, by issuing cease and desist orders, and being prepared to issue ordinance citations and/or institute criminal proceedings against those that do not voluntarily comply; and

WHEREAS, it is essential for the public health and safety that all residents of Bloomington comply with the Governor's Stay-at-Home Order; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that law enforcement officials from the City continue to enforce the Governor's Stay-at-Home Order.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tari Renner, Mayor of Bloomington, IL, encourage all residents of the City to comply with the Governor's Stay-at-Home Order for the health and safety of our community and further recognize the work of the Bloomington Police Department in its continued enforcement efforts including providing extra patrols of City parks and seeking voluntary compliance of the Stay-at-Home Order.**

Given under my hand in these free United States in the City of Bloomington, IL, and to which I have caused the Seal of the City of Bloomington, IL to be affixed and have made this recognition public this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020.



*Tari Renner, Mayor*



*Leslie Yocum, City Clerk*

