OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Second Amended Declaration of State of Emergency and Executive Order for the City of Trenton

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, Governor Philip Murphy issued Executive Order 103 which declared a state of emergency for the public health danger resulting from COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of COVID-19 as a Public Health Emergency and a Pandemic on March 11, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Trenton, I, W. Reed Gusciora, issued a Declaration of Emergency on March 14, 2020, thus triggering the Mayor’s emergency powers; and

WHEREAS, the City of Trenton is experiencing an increase in COVID-19 cases and it is necessary to return to an increase in safety precautions to minimize its effects within the City as well as to limit the unnecessary movement of individuals in and around their communities and person-to-person interactions in accordance with CDC and DOH guidelines; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 210 (2020) deemed a subset of businesses as “essential,” including grocery/food stores, pharmacies, medical supply stores, gas stations, healthcare facilities, and ancillary stores within healthcare facilities, and it authorized the State Director of Emergency Management, who is the Superintendent of State Police, to make additions, amendments, clarifications, exceptions, and exclusions to that list; and

WHEREAS Executive Order No. 210 (2020) made clear that such essential businesses may continue operating without limits on their scope of service or hours of operation, absent further amendments by the State Director of Emergency Management; and
WHEREAS, I issued an Amended Declaration of Emergency and Executive Order effective November 19, 2020 which has been further revised and amended through January 5, 2020: and

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in the Office of the Mayor of the City of Trenton, I hereby issue and declare a State of Emergency is in effect in the City of Trenton due to the Covid-19 pandemic, and the following guidelines will be in place for all affected businesses and persons within the City:

1. All City businesses, including restaurants, bars and convenience stores, must close at 10 p.m. daily and cannot reopen until at least 5:00 a.m. Gas stations may stay open to dispense gas pursuant to City Code 146-22A. Outdoor dining, takeout and delivery services may continue for pickup or delivery after 10:00 p.m. provided that no parties can congregate inside or outside of the establishment. Indoor eating establishments must stop food and beverage service between 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m., and retail, recreational and entertainment businesses must prohibit consumption of food or beverages indoor between 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. This Declaration shall not affect those businesses which have been deemed “essential,” including grocery/food stores, pharmacies, medical supply stores, gas stations, healthcare facilities, and ancillary stores within healthcare facilities, as authorized the State Director of Emergency Management, who is the Superintendent of State Police, as well as any additions, amendments, clarifications, exceptions, and exclusions to that list.

2. All City residents are encouraged to remain indoors after 10:00 p.m., wear masks, practice social distancing techniques as recommended by the CDC by avoiding large crowds, and, whenever possible, keep a distance of six (6) feet.

3. All City residents are strongly encouraged not to have large family gatherings and particularly not to host persons from states which are on the Governor’s travel advisory list.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in the Office of the Mayor of the City of Trenton, an Amended Declaration of Emergency and Executive Order is hereby extended on this day January 6, 2021 through February 6, 2021, or until any further Declaration has been issued.

If any provision of this Amended Emergency Declaration and Executive Order, or the application of any provision to any party or conditions, shall be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Amended Declaration and Executive Order, to the extent applicable by law, shall remain in full force and effect.

This Amended Declaration and Executive Order shall be kept on file in the Office of the City Clerk and Business Administrator. It shall be made available to the public upon request.
By: W. Reed Gusciora
Mayor

Executed on this 6th day of January 2021.

As to form and legality:

By: A. Wesley Bridges, Esquire
Acting Director of Law

As to filing with the City Clerk:

By: Matthew Conlon
City Clerk