


DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY

I, Jeffery Pruyn, Village President of the Village of Itasca, hereby find and declare that a State of Emergency exists within the Village of Itasca pursuant to Itasca Ordinance No. 1936-20 and 65 ILCS 5/11-1-6 for the following reasons:

Coronoravirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a contagious virus for which there is currently no vaccine and which, if contracted can cause severe respiratory illness and is sometimes fatal. 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 to be a worldwide pandemic. On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States issued a proclamation on declaring a national emergency concerning the COVID-19 outbreak. On March 9, 2020, the Governor of the State of Illinois issued a disaster proclamation pertaining to COVID-19 and activated the State Emergency Operations Center. On March 15, 2020, the Governor also announced that all bars and dine-in restaurants would close through March 30, 2020 due to COVID-19 concerns (as formally executed by COVID-19 Executive Order No. 5 issued on March 16, 2020). Public and private entities around the world are taking steps, including but not limited to, full or partial closings to reduce public exposure to COVID-19. Individuals in DuPage County have contracted the COVID-19 virus. New cases of COVID-19 are announced daily. The COVID-19 pandemic has caused an unprecedented impact on local residents, businesses and visitors, including significant public health, safety and economic impacts.

I further find that the following standards, outlined in Itasca Ordinance No. 1936-20, are met:

1. The existence of federal, state or county directives or advisories on COVID-19 which impact any activities within the Village or specific instances of COVID-19 within the Village which require action to ensure the safety of the general public or of Village officials and staff; and
2. The need for immediate, emergency action which must occur before the next regular meeting of the Village Board.



Village President Jeffery J. Pruyn

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before

me this 18th day of March 2020.

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