



City of Humboldt

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Mayor Marvin Sikes

EXECUTIVE ORDER OF THE MAYOR

DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY

No. 2020-01

WHEREAS, the City of Humboldt has a responsibility to take all possible actions to ensure the health and safety of our staff and our citizens in the event of infectious disease pandemics; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020 the World Health Organization declared the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak was a pandemic and on March 12, 2020, Tennessee Governor Bill Lee declared a State of Emergency to deploy additional resources to combat the spread of the virus, and on March 13, 2020, President Donald Trump declared a National Emergency over the coronavirus pandemic, and

WHEREAS, empirical evidence from other communities and nations indicates that the spread of the disease is most effectively slowed by social distancing and reducing interactions among dense groups of people; and

WHEREAS, after proclamation of a civil emergency, the Mayor, in the interest of public safety and welfare, may make all orders necessary for the protection of life and property, including but not limited to, the closure of certain establishments; and

WHEREAS, the goal of this administration is to continue to provide a high-performing government that will be flexible, and capable of meeting the challenges of this pandemic as they come,

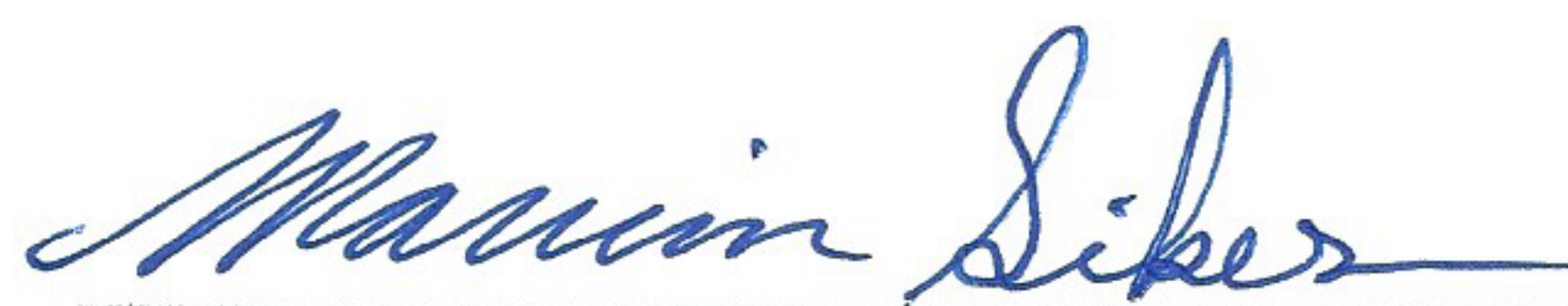
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Marvin Sikes, Mayor of the City of Humboldt, Tennessee, by virtue of the executive and administrative authority vested in me by the Charter of the City of Humboldt, and laws of the state of Tennessee, do hereby Declare a State of Emergency, and do hereby direct and order that the following policies be enacted immediately:

“Home of the West Tennessee Strawberry Festival”

- 1.) The brick-and-mortar premises of all non-essential retail businesses must close to the public as long as this Order remains in effect. No customers may enter stores but all businesses may continue to provide curbside/delivery services.
- 2.) Essential retail businesses, including but not limited to those listed below, are excluded from this directive and may remain open during their normal business hours. Essential retail businesses must, wherever practicable, provide pickup services outside or adjacent to their stores for goods ordered in advance online or by phone. Online and telephone order services are permitted.
 - a. Grocery Stores and farms that sell directly to customers, and other food stores, including retailers that offer a varied assortment of foods comparable to what exists at a grocery store;
 - b. Pharmacies and alternative treatment centers
 - c. Medical supply stores
 - d. Retail Functions of gas stations and convenience stores
 - e. Hardware and Home Improvement Stores
 - f. Retail Functions of banks and other financial institutions
 - g. Retail functions of laundromats and dry-cleaning services
 - h. Pet stores
 - i. Liquor stores
 - j. Car dealerships, auto repair shops and auto parts stores.
 - k. Retail functions of mail and delivery stores
- 3.) Any essential retail business whose brick-and-mortar premises remain open to the public shall abide by social distancing practices to the extent practicable while providing essential services. These include all reasonable efforts to keep customers six feet apart and frequent use of sanitizing products on common surfaces.
- 4.) All restaurants, cafeterias, dining establishments, and food courts, with or without a liquor license, are permitted to operate their normal business hours, but are limited to offering only food delivery and/or take-out services. The on-premises consumption of alcohol and food is prohibited.
- 5.) All recreational and entertainment businesses, including but not limited to the following list, must close to the public as long as this order remains in effect:
 - a. Gyms and fitness centers and classes
 - b. Entertainment centers, including but not limited to, movie theaters, performing arts centers, auctions, dance halls, concert venues and nightclubs/bars.
 - c. Facilities where personal care services are performed that, by their very nature, result in noncompliance with social distancing guidelines, including but not limited to cosmetology shops; barber shops; beauty salons; nail salons; spas, at which solely elective and cosmetic medical procedures are performed, massage parlors, tanning salons, tattoo parlors

- 6.) This Order does not prohibit an employee, contractor, vendor, or supplier of subject establishments from entering, exiting, using, or occupying that establishment in their professional capacity.
- 7.) All Funerals, Celebrations of Life, Cremation Services, and Memorial Services should only be attended by close family, provided the public follows the CDC's guidelines on Social Distancing.
- 8.) Nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit, prohibit, or restrict in any way the provision of health care or medical services to members of the public.
- 9.) Nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit, prohibit, or restrict in any way access to essential services for low-income residents, including but not limited to food banks.
- 10.) Nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit, prohibit, or restrict in any way the operations of newspapers, television, radio, and other media services.
- 11.) Nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit, prohibit, or restrict in any way the operations of law enforcement agencies.
- 12.) Nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit, prohibit, or restrict in any way the operations of manufacturing or critical infrastructure sectors as defined by Department of Homeland Security.
- 13.) Nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit, prohibit, or restrict in any way the operations of Child Care Facilities. They should continue to follow guidelines provided by the Tennessee Department of Human Services.
- 14.) Nothing in this Order shall be construed to supersede the authorities designated by law to the Humboldt City School System, Gibson County, The State of Tennessee, or the United States Government.
- 15.) The operative paragraphs of Executive Order No. 2020-01 are hereby superseded in full
- 16.) This Order shall remain in effect until withdrawn by Mayor Marvin Sikes.
- 17.) The Humboldt Police Department is authorized to enforce and close those businesses within the City of Humboldt in violation of this Order.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Humboldt to be affixed this 31st day of March 2020.



Marvin Sikes, Mayor of Humboldt, Tennessee