



Executive Order No. EO2020-010

REVISED DECLARATION AND ORDER REGARDING GATHERINGS and SOCIAL DISTANCING FOR CUYAHOGA COUNTY

WHEREAS, on this 31st day of December 2020, the life, safety and welfare of the residents of Cuyahoga County are in jeopardy due to the outbreak of a deadly infectious respiratory disease identified as the Coronavirus disease (COVID-19); and,

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is rapidly spreading, as numerous members of the community have been infected with the disease and the risk of serious illness is imminent. The resulting impact of the disease on Cuyahoga County residents and businesses is potentially catastrophic; and,

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, Ohio Governor Mike DeWine signed Executive Order 2020-01D, declaring a State of Emergency in Ohio to protect the well-being of Ohioans from the dangerous effects of COVID-19 (the "Governor's March 9 Order"); and,

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, I issued Executive Order EO2020-0002 Declaring a State of Emergency for Cuyahoga County due to the outbreak of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on May 29, 2020 the Director of the Ohio Department of Health issued an Updated and Revised Order for Business Guidance and Social Distancing which prohibits gatherings of greater than 10 people occurring outside a single household and connected property, or living unit and connected property (the "Director's May 29 Order"); and

WHEREAS, the Director's May 29 Order also advises individuals who travel outside of their places of residence to comply as much as reasonably possible with Social Distancing Requirements defined as: maintaining at least six feet from other individuals, washing hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds as frequently as possible or using hand sanitizer, covering coughs and sneezes with a sleeve or elbow, regularly cleaning high-touch surfaces, and not shaking hands; and

WHEREAS, on July 6, 2020 the Director of the Ohio Department of Health issued a Second Order to Extend the Date of Various Orders which extends the expiration date of the Director's May 29 Order until the earlier of the State of Emergency declared by the Governor's March 9 Order no longer exists or the Director of the Ohio Department of Health rescinds and modifies the Director's May 29 Order (the "Director's July 6 Order"); and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 2020-143, the Cuyahoga County Board of Health (the "County Board") issued a Stay-at-Home Health Advisory advising all County residents to stay at home to the greatest extent possible and strongly encourages employers to accommodate as many employees as possible to work from home during the continuing spread of COVID-19 (the "CCBH SAH Advisory"); and


WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 2020-156, the County Board extended the expiration date of the CCBH SAH Advisory to January 15, 2021 (the "County Order"); and

WHEREAS, the state of emergency declared in the Governor's March 9 Order continues to exist and the applicable provisions of the Director's May 29 Order, the County Order, and my Executive Order EO2020-0002, dated March 11, 2020, declaring a State of Emergency in Cuyahoga County have not been modified or rescinded.

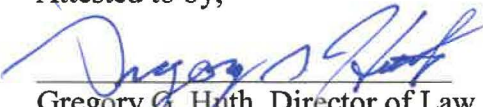
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Armond Budish, County Executive of Cuyahoga County, Ohio, by virtue of the powers vested in me under Article 18, Section 3 of the Ohio Constitution, by the Charter of Cuyahoga County, and the laws of Cuyahoga County and the State of Ohio, do hereby order and declare as follows:

1. The Director's May 29 Order, the Director's July 6 Order, and the County Order, each attached hereto as Attachment A, Attachment B, and Attachment C, respectively, shall be fully implemented in Cuyahoga County such that:
 - i) residents of Cuyahoga County shall comply with Social Distancing Requirements; and
 - ii) residents of Cuyahoga County shall avoid gatherings of greater than 10 people occurring outside a single household and connected property or living unit and connected property.
2. This Executive Order shall not prohibit any gathering specifically permitted under an order of the Director of the Ohio Department of Health or the Cuyahoga County Board of Health.
3. This Executive Order shall be in effect immediately upon my signature and shall continue until the State of Emergency declared by the Governor's March 9 Order no longer exists.
4. Executive Order EO2020-0003 signed March 16, 2020 is hereby rescinded.
5. The original copy of this Executive Order shall be filed, as is the case with all Executive Orders, with the Cuyahoga County Department of Law, and a copy shall be filed with the Clerk of County Council.

I have signed this Executive Order declaring a State of Emergency on this 31 day of December 2020, in Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.


Armond Budish, County Executive
Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Attested to by,


Gregory G. Hath, Director of Law