

Office of the Mayor  
Lake Havasu City, Arizona  
Proclamation



**DECLARING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY**

***WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization declared a Public Health Emergency of International Concern on January 30, 2020, the United States Department of Health and Human Services declared a Public Health Emergency related to the COVID-19 outbreak on January 31, 2020, the World Health Organization officially declared a pandemic due to COVID-19 on March 11, 2020, and the Governor of Arizona declared an emergency due to COVID-19 and issued Executive Order 2020-07 providing Proactive Measures to Protect Against COVID-19 on March 11, 2020; and*

***WHEREAS**, on March 11, 2020, the Governor of the State of Arizona, Douglas A. Ducey, determined that the COVID-19 outbreak presents conditions in Arizona that justified his declaration of a State of Emergency; and*

***WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States of America, Donald J. Trump, found and proclaimed that the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States constituted a national emergency; and*

***WHEREAS**, on March 15, 2020, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, in accordance with its guidance for large events and mass gatherings, recommend for the next eight weeks, organizers (whether groups or individuals) cancel or postpone in-person events that consist of 50 people or more throughout the United States, and is expected to adjust that directive to ten people or more; and*

***WHEREAS**, on March 16, 2020, President Trump issued his "Coronavirus Guidelines for America: 15 Days to Slow the Spread" which provides guidance to avoid social gatherings of more than ten people and direction to "Listen to and follow the directions of your state and local authorities"; and*

***WHEREAS**, I sincerely encourage our community to come together and follow the guidelines provided by the CDC and the President of the United States, and I am optimistic that as we come together as a community, we can reduce the risk of our residents contracting and spreading the COVID-19 virus; and*

***WHEREAS**, the Mayor of Lake Havasu City, Arizona, is authorized under the current circumstances by City Code § 2.08.050, A.R.S. §26-307, and/or A.R.S. §26-331.A to proclaim*

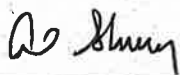
*that a local emergency exists and, thereafter, to impose all necessary regulations to preserve the peace and order of the City.*

***NOW THEREFORE, I, Mayor Cal Sheehy of Lake Havasu City, Arizona, hereby declares a local emergency in Lake Havasu City, Arizona.***

***IT IS PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED*** *that in order to flatten the curve of the spread of the COVID-19 virus, keep our hospitals from becoming overwhelmed, and maximize available funding, as follows:*

- 1. Public gathering places, such as bars, clubs, libraries, gyms, and other places where groups in excess of 10 congregate, are asked to take measures to implement social distancing; and*
- 2. All restaurants, food courts, cafes, coffeehouses, retail food facilities, and other similar businesses and establishments are asked to take measures to increase the use of delivery service, window service, drive-through service, or drive-up service, and to use precautions in doing so to mitigate the potential transmission of COVID-19; and*
- 3. All businesses are urged to implement social distancing, limits on the per household purchases of essential items, and measures necessary to protect the health and safety of the citizens of Lake Havasu City.*
- 4. Members of the public are urged to*
  - a. use social distancing and avoid groups of ten or more people;*
  - b. avoid contact with those with elevated risks associated with COVID-19; and*
  - c. stay home and contact your medical provider if you or others in your household feel sick; and*
  - d. stay home and away from other people if you are an older person and/or you have a serious underlying condition that can put you at increased risk (for example, a condition that impairs your lung or heart function or weakens your immune system); and*
  - e. practice good personal hygiene, such as regularly washing your hands, avoid touching your face, sneezing into a tissue or the inside of your elbow, and frequently disinfecting.*

*PROCLAIMED on this date, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020, at Lake Havasu City, Arizona.*

  
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*Cal Sheehy, Mayor*

ATTEST:

  
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*Shannon Davis, Assistant City Clerk*