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Social Isolation Directive Guidance

RE: Guidance Relative to Executive Order No. 2020-05

The purpose of the Social Isolation Directive is to limit gatherings of several people in an effort to limit the spread of COVID-19. When in doubt, for the sake of the public's health and safety, any space that encourages social congregation or gatherings should close.

In accordance with Section 5 of EO No. 2020-05, the following guidance is provided:

- I. "Essential Businesses" means:
- i. Healthcare Operations and Essential Infrastructure;
 - ii. Grocery stores, certified farmers' markets, farm and produce stands, supermarkets, food banks, convenience stores, and other establishments engaged in the retail sale of canned food, dry goods, fresh fruits and vegetables, pet supply, fresh meats, fish, and poultry, and any other household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products, and products necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences;
 - iii. Food cultivation, including farming, livestock, and fishing;
 - iv. Businesses that provide food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals;
 - v. Newspapers, television, radio, and other media services;
 - vi. Gas stations and auto-supply, auto-repair, and related facilities;
 - vii. Banks and related financial institutions;
 - viii. Hardware stores;
 - ix. Plumbers, electricians, exterminators, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences, Essential Activities, and Essential Businesses;
 - x. Businesses providing mailing and shipping services, including post office boxes;
 - xi. Educational institutions-including public and private K-12 schools, colleges, and universities-for purposes of facilitating distance learning or performing essential functions, provided that social distancing of six-feet per person is maintained to the greatest extent possible;
 - xii. Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers;
 - xiii. Restaurants and other facilities that prepare and serve food, but only for delivery or carry out. Schools and other entities that typically provide free food services to students or

members of the public may continue to do so under Executive Order No. 2020-05 on the condition that the food is provided to students or members of the public on a pick-up and take-away basis only. Schools and other entities that provide food services under this exemption shall not permit the food to be eaten at the site where it is provided, or at any other gathering site;

- xiv. Businesses that supply products needed for people to work from home;
 - xv. Businesses that supply other essential businesses with the support or supplies necessary to operate;
 - xvi. Businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, goods or services directly to residences;
 - xvii. Airlines, taxis, and other private transportation providers providing transportation services necessary for Essential Activities and other purposes expressly authorized in Executive Order No. 2020-05;
 - xviii. Home-based care for seniors or adults;
 - xix. Residential facilities and shelters for seniors, adults, and children;
 - xx. Professional services, such as legal or accounting services, when necessary to assist in compliance with legally mandated activities;
- II. "Healthcare Operations" means:
- i. Hospitals, clinics, dentists, pharmacies, pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, other healthcare facilities, healthcare suppliers, home healthcare services providers, mental health providers, or any related and/or ancillary healthcare services.
 - ii. "Healthcare Operations" also includes veterinary care and all healthcare services provided to animals.
 - iii. "Healthcare Operations" does not include fitness and exercise gyms and similar facilities and daycare facilities.
- III. "Essential Infrastructure" includes but is not limited to:
- i. Public works construction, construction of housing (in particular affordable housing or housing for individuals experiencing homelessness), airport operations, water, sewer, gas, electrical, oil refining, roads and highways, public transportation, solid waste collection and removal, internet, and telecommunications systems (including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and web-based services), provided that they carry out those services or that work in compliance with Social Distancing directive in Executive Order No. 2020-04, to the extent possible.
- IV. Nonreligious funeral services are permitted provided they are limited to immediate families.
- V. Hotels will be allowed to continue limited operations to allow their guests to stay in their facilities, but non-essential operations, such as bars, ballrooms, fitness centers, and swimming pools are not permitted to operate.
- VI. Places of Worship are asked to cease public attendance at regular services and to limit funeral attendance to immediate families only.
- VII. Vehicle rental businesses are permitted to operate.
- VIII. Distributors, wholesalers, and providers to essential business may continue operations.
- IX. Public spaces (e.g. beaches and walking/running trails) will remain open and outdoor activity, such as, walking, hiking, or running, is permitted, provided that individuals abide by the Social Distancing directive in Executive Order No. 2020-04.



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