



CITY OF SOUTH PORTLAND

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**MAYORAL PROCLAMATION  
DECLARING A STATE OF CIVIL EMERGENCY**

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WHEREAS, there is currently an outbreak of novel coronavirus disease 2019 ("COVID-19") in a growing number of international locations, including the United States; and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services announced a nationwide public health emergency to respond to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the global health crisis involving COVID-19 a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the State of Maine identified and confirmed its first case of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020, the Governor of Maine, Janet Mills, declared a State of Civil Emergency for the entire State of Maine in order to address the threat COVID-19 poses to the health and welfare of residents and visitors to the State of Maine; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2020, the Governor of Maine issued Executive Order No. 14-FY 19/20, "An Order to Protect Public Health," ordering that, between 6 p.m. on March 18, 2020 through midnight on March 31, 2020, (1) certain gatherings of more than ten (10) people are prohibited throughout the State; and (2) all restaurants and bars must close their dine-in facilities and only offer carry-out, delivery and drive-through food and beverage service; and

WHEREAS, this worldwide outbreak of COVID-19 is emerging and rapidly evolving; and

WHEREAS, the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 has risen steadily in the past months; and

WHEREAS, the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Cumberland County, Maine has risen steadily in the past days; and

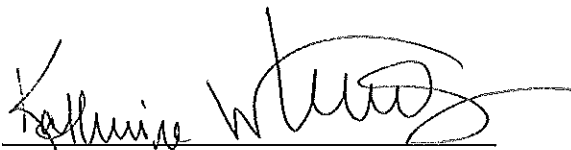
WHEREAS, the risk of community spread throughout South Portland impacts the life, health and safety of the public and public health is imperiled by the person-to-person spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the City of South Portland (the "City") and all of its departments are prepared to respond to COVID-19 and are committed to protecting the health, safety and welfare of everyone in South Portland;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the powers vested in me through the statutes of the State of Maine; the South Portland Code of Ordinances, Chapter 8, Section 8-2.6; and common law authority to protect the public's health, safety and welfare in the event of an emergency, I, Katherine W. Lewis, Mayor of the City of South Portland, in consultation with the City Manager, do hereby declare and order as follows:

1. A state of civil emergency exists within the entire City of South Portland.
2. Pursuant to Chapter 8, Section 8-2.7 of the South Portland Code of Ordinances, this proclamation shall remain in effect for five (5) days unless and until it is renewed by the South Portland City Council.
3. A copy of this Proclamation shall be filed in the Office of the City Clerk within 24 hours.

Dated: Tuesday, March 24, 2020

  
Katherine W. Lewis, Mayor