

**PROCLAMATION DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND DECLARING THE CITY OF
OAKBROOK TERRCE A DISASTER AREA DUE TO THE
CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) OUTBREAK**

WHEREAS, in December 2019, a novel (new) coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2 (“the virus”) was first detected in Wuhan, Hubei Province, People’s Republic of China, causing outbreaks of the coronavirus disease COVID-19 that has now spread globally;

WHEREAS, on January 27, 2020, the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services declared that the virus declared the virus a public health emergency of international concern;

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the virus a public health emergency of international concern;

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization characterized the virus as a pandemic as of March 11, 2020;

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States has declared a national emergency beginning March 1, 2020, in an effort to contain and mitigate the national impact of the expanding global outbreak of the virus and has ordered states and hospitals to open their emergency operations centers and activate their emergency plans for the protection of our citizens;

WHEREAS, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) considers the potential public health threat posed by the virus to be high, both globally and in the United States;

WHEREAS, the Governor of Illinois has issued a Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation dated March 9, 2020, for the entire State of Illinois and has further issued requirements for social distancing and the elimination of certain community events in the state as of March 12, 2020;

WHEREAS, the Department of State and the Department of Homeland Security have deemed it necessary to impose restrictions on international travel to contain the spread of the virus, and the CDC has advised older travelers and those with chronic medical conditions to avoid nonessential travel, and has advised all travelers to exercise enhanced precautions;

WHEREAS, despite the efforts to contain the virus, the CDC indicates that more cases of the virus are expected in the United States in the coming days, including more instances of community spread, and as the outbreak continues, widespread transmission of the virus in the United States is expected to occur;

WHEREAS, the CDC currently recommends all communities take measures to both prepare for and mitigate community transmission of the virus in the United States;

WHEREAS, certain populations are at a higher risk of experiencing more severe illness as a result of the virus including older adults and people who have serious chronic medical conditions such as heart disease, diabetes, or lung disease;

WHEREAS, the Governor of Illinois has issued an Executive Order dated March 19, 2020, for the entire State of Illinois, effective March 21, 2020 at 5:00 p.m., ordering all individuals currently living within the State of Illinois to stay at home or at their place of residence until April 7, 2020. The Executive Order requires all businesses and operations in the State, except Essential Businesses and Operations cease all activities within the State except Minimum Basic Operations. It allows businesses to continue operations consisting exclusively of employees performing activities at their own residences. Additionally, Essential Businesses and Operations are encouraged to remain open, but must maintain six-foot social distancing for both employees and members of the public;

WHEREAS, the City of Oakbrook Terrace (the “City”) must take actions to contain and mitigate the local impact of the virus outbreak and provide for the continuity of government, activation of the City Emergency Operation Plans, provide for the continuation of essential services and provide for the health and safety of all City residents; and

WHEREAS, while the City is currently responding to this virus outbreak, it is deemed necessary to activate the City’s Emergency Operations Plan and proclaim that an emergency exists within and a disaster exists in the City;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Paul Esposito, Acting Mayor, after having been first duly sworn upon oath and acting in the interest of the people of the City in accordance with my responsibility to ensure public health and safety and pursuant to the authority vested in me pursuant to the Illinois Constitution, including Article VII, Section 6 of the 1970 Illinois Constitution, the laws of the state of Illinois, including Section 11 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305/11, Sections 11-1-6 and 8-10-5 of the Illinois Municipal Code and Sections 30.71 and 39.02 of the Code of Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois, do hereby affirm and determine that:

1. The coronavirus disease (COVID-19) outbreak has occurred and it is an occurrence of widespread or severe damage resulting from a natural cause;
2. Extraordinary measures must be taken to protect the public health, safety and welfare from injury or loss of life or property;
3. The preambles of this proclamation, which are hereby incorporated as if fully recited herein, constitute the factual basis for this proclamation and contain a description of the occurrence or conditions which exist or are threatened to exist of which I have determined that a state of emergency exists;
4. The standards for the determination that a state of emergency set forth in Section 11-1-6 of the Illinois Municipal Code and Section 39.02 of the Code of Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois, have been met; and
5. The facts to substantiate these findings and determination and a description of the nature of the emergency are set forth in the preambles of this proclamation.

I hereby declare that a state of emergency and a disaster exists in the City of Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois pursuant to Section 11 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act. I specifically declare that the City of Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois is a disaster area.

I hereby direct that this proclamation be filed with the City Clerk, be made available for public inspection and to any news media situated in the City. It shall also be posted at City Hall, the Police Station, the fire station of the Oakbrook Terrace Fire Protection District and on the City's website.

Pursuant to this declaration the following extraordinary emergency powers and authority as may be reasonably necessary to respond to the emergency may be exercised by my executive order during the time that this state of emergency exists, including, but not limited to:

1. A general curfew applicable to such geographical areas of the City or to the City as a whole as the Mayor deems advisable and applicable, during such hours of the day or night as the Mayor deems necessary in the interest of public safety and welfare.
2. The closing of all retail liquor stores, including taverns and private clubs or portions thereof, wherein the consumption of intoxicating liquor and beer is permitted.
3. The discontinuance of the sale of alcoholic liquor by any wholesaler or retailer.
4. The discontinuance of selling, distributing or giving away gasoline or other liquid flammable or combustible products in any container other than a gasoline tank properly affixed to a motor vehicle.
5. The discontinuance of selling, distributing or giving away any firearms or ammunition of any character whatsoever.
6. Issue such other orders as are imminently necessary for the protection of life and property.

This proclamation shall be effective for a period of seven days unless sooner terminated by my subsequent proclamation indicating that the civil emergency no longer exists. The existence of this civil emergency may be re-proclaimed by me at the end of seven days and at the end of each seven day period during the time the civil emergency exists with the consent of the City Council.

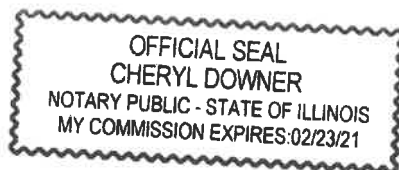
Approved this 25th day of March 2020.



Paul Esposito, Acting Mayor of
the City of Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois

Subscribed and sworn before me
this 25th day of March 2020.



Notary Public

Filed in my office this 25th day of March
2020.



Michael Shadley, Clerk of the
City of Oakbrook Terrace, Cook County,
Illinois