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**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
MITIGATION MEASURES AND EXTENSION OF EMERGENCY
PROVISIONS**

TIMOTHY "TIM" MONCEAU **WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act LA R.S. 29:721 et seq., the Governor declared a Public Health Emergency in Proclamation Number 25 JBE 2020 in response to the threat posed by COVID-19 and additional measures in Proclamation Number JBE 2020-27 with respect to additional restrictions and suspensions of deadlines and regulations in order to protect the health and safety of the public; and

STEVEN PREMEAUX
ALDERMAN-AT-LARGE
MAYOR PRO-TEM

WHEREAS, pursuant to Proclamation Number 33 JBE 2020, the Governor issued a Stay at Home Order ordering the people of Louisiana to stay at their homes unless taking essential trips or to travel to or from a place of employment, ordering some non-essential businesses to be closed and placed limitations on other businesses that were allowed to remain open; and

ADAM MEMBERS

JEFF CAVELL
WARD DIV 3

WHEREAS, pursuant to Proclamation No. 58 JBE 2020, the State of Louisiana moved into Phase 1 of recovery on Friday, May 15, 2020; and

KIM STRINGFELLOW
WARD DIV 8

WHEREAS, pursuant to Proclamation No. 74 JBE 2020, the State of Louisiana moved into Phase 2 of recovery on Friday, June 4, 2020; and

THOMPSON BRADFORD CORE
WARD DIV 4

WHEREAS, pursuant to Proclamation No. 117 JBE 2020, the State of Louisiana moved into Phase 3 of recovery on Friday, September 11, 2020; and

LYLE FOGLEMAN, Jr.
WARD DIV 5

WHEREAS, on March 3, 2021, the Governor renewed the public health emergency, keeping the State of Louisiana in Phase 3, maintaining many of the mitigation measures that have successfully slowed the spread of COVID-19 in the state; and

VERNON MARTIN
WARD DIV 4

BYRON K. WILRIDGE, SR.
WARD DIV 8

WHEREAS, despite the success of the mitigation measures and adoption of vaccines in helping to beat back the third surge of COVID-19 in the state, the escalating prevalence of the Delta variant in the state has resulted in a significant increase in cases and hospitalizations, with the state giving up all of the progress made since mid-February; and

CLINT CRADEUR
WARD DIV 3

SAMUEL J. REGGIE, III
WARD DIV 8

WHEREAS, in Proclamation Number 131 JBE 2021, the Governor renewed the emergency declaration for the COVID-19 Emergency; and

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WHEREAS, it is necessary to renew certain other provisions of Proclamation Number 118 JBE 2021; and

WHEREAS, the need for the mitigation measures in this declaration remains significant as the success of the vaccine administration in Louisiana shows that the state can continue to turn the corner on this pandemic if there is continued vigilance; and

WHEREAS, these measures are necessary to protect the health and safety of the people of the City of Crowley;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Tim Monceaux, Mayor of the City of Crowley, by virtue of the authority to make said declarations, do hereby declare a state of emergency continues to exist as a result of the continued threat imposed to the citizens of the City of Crowley and do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: GENERAL PROVISIONS

- A. Pursuant to the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act (LA R.S. 29:721 et seq) and the Louisiana Health Emergency Powers Act (LA R.S. 29:760 et seq), a statewide public health emergency was declared to continue to exist in the State of Louisiana as a result of the continued threat posed to Louisiana citizens by COVID-19, the effects of which continue to threaten the lives and health of the citizens of the state and the City of Crowley.
- B. The office of the Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby expressly empowered to take any and all actions authorized under the Louisiana Health Emergency Powers Act, LA R.S. 29:760 et seq, in relation to the COVID-19 public health emergency.
- C. Pursuant to LA R.S. 14:329.6, a state of emergency is declared to remain in existence within the City for the purposes of allowing the chief law enforcement officer of the City of Crowley to, in order to protect life and property and to bring the emergency situation under control, promulgate orders for any provision therein, including a local curfew from 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

SECTION 2: COVID-19 MITIGATION MEASURES

- A. To preserve the public health and safety and to ensure the healthcare system is capable of serving all citizens in need, all individuals within the City of Crowley should stay at home as much as possible to avoid unnecessary exposure to COVID-19.
- B. All individuals who are higher risk of severe illness from COVID-19 should stay at home, unless travelling outside the home for an essential activity such as:
 - 1. Obtaining food, medicine and other similar goods necessary for the individual or a family member of the individual.
 - 2. Obtaining medical care and treatment and other similar vital services for an individual or a family member of the individual.
 - 3. Going to and from an individual's workplace.
 - 4. Going to and from the home of a family member.
 - 5. Going to and from an individual's place of worship.
 - 6. Engaging in outdoor activity, provided individuals maintain a distance of six feet from one another.

Those individuals who are at higher risk of severe illness, as designated by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), are those with conditions such as asthma, chronic lung disease, compromised immune systems (including from smoking, cancer treatment, bone marrow or organ transplantation, immune deficiencies, poorly controlled HIV or AIDS, or use of corticosteroids or other immune weakening medications), diabetes, serious heart disease (including heart failure, coronary artery disease, congenital heart disease, cardiomyopathies and hypertension), chronic kidney disease undergoing dialysis, liver disease or severe obesity or those who are 65 or older or living in a nursing home or long-term care facility.

This Subsection does not apply to any individuals who are fully vaccinated (someone who is at least two weeks beyond receiving a full administration of COVID-19 vaccine).

SECTION 3: FACE COVERINGS

- A. Except as provided for in the remaining Subsections of this Section, the statewide face covering mandate is no longer in effect. However, all individuals, especially those most vulnerable and those

who are not fully vaccinated against COVID-19 are still strongly encouraged to wear face coverings while interacting with members of the public.

- B. In accordance with the order issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on January 29, 2021, all individuals shall wear a face covering over the nose and mouth while passengers and operators of public conveyances, including airplanes, ships, ferries, trains, buses, taxis, ride-shares and the corresponding transportation hubs. The CDC order is found at https://www.cdc.gov/quarantine/pdf/Mask-Order-CDC_GMTF-01-29-21-p.pdf.
- C. All offices of the City of Crowley shall continue to encourage all employee and visitors to wear a face covering over the nose and mouth, **unless the person has been fully vaccinated with a COVID-19 vaccine.**
- D. All correctional institutions in the City of Crowley shall continue to require a face covering over the nose and mouth.
- E. The requirements in Section 3(B) and (D) do not apply to the following:
 - 1) Any individual who will not come in contact with any other individual (outside of their immediate household members) or who will be able to maintain strict social distance of six feet apart from any other individual (outside of their immediate household members);
 - 2) Any child under the age of eight, however all children between the ages of two and seven years old are strongly encouraged to wear a face covering in accordance with Subsection (a) of this Section;
 - 3) Any individual with a medical condition that prevents the wearing of a face covering;
 - 4) Any individual who is consuming food or drinks;
 - 5) Any individual seeking to communicate with someone who has or is suspected of having a communication disorder;
 - 6) Any individual giving a speech for broadcast or to an audience;
 - 7) Any individual temporarily removing his or her face covering for identification purposes;

- 8) Any athlete participating in organized athletic activities; or
- 9) In groups of 10 or less when all in the group have been fully vaccinated.

F. All local governing authorities and operators of private businesses and organizations shall retain the authority to issue more restrictive measure than that imposed by the State, including requiring members of the public to wear face coverings while in local governmental buildings and private business establishments.

SECTION 3: All city employees shall notify their supervisor and Human Resources Director if the employee or a household member develops symptoms associated with COVID-19.

SECTION 4: All departments, commissions, boards, agencies and officers of the City of Crowley are authorized and directed to cooperate in actions the City of Crowley and the State of Louisiana may take in response to the effects of this event.

SECTION 5: Unless otherwise provided in this order, these provisions are effective immediately from Wednesday, July 21, 2021, to Wednesday, August 11, 2021, or as extended by any subsequent declaration or unless terminated sooner.

THUS ISSUED effective the 23rd day of July, 2021, **DONE AND SIGNED** in the City of Crowley, Acadia Parish, Louisiana on this the 26th day of July, 2021.


TIM MONCEAUX, Mayor

ATTESTED BY:


MADONNA HUTCHINSON, Interim City Clerk