

DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY

**City of Lake Forest
Lake County, Illinois
April 4, 2020**

I, George A. Pandaleon, Mayor of the City of Lake Forest, being first duly sworn under penalty of perjury, attest to the truthfulness of the following:

I. Findings:

A. The nature of this emergency is the global pandemic resulting from COVID-19, a natural disaster.

B. COVID-19 is a severe respiratory illness, caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus, a new strain of coronavirus that is spread from person to person, posing a threat to the health and safety of the residents of the City of Lake Forest.

C. No drug or vaccine is currently available to treat or prevent COVID-19.

D. The United States Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar declared a national public health emergency for COVID-19 on January 27, 2020.

E. On March 9, 2020, Governor J.B Pritzker declared all counties in the State of Illinois as disaster areas resulting from COVID-19.

F. The World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a global pandemic on March 11, 2020.

G. On March 13, 2020, President Donald Trump issued a declaration of a national emergency due to the growing COVID-19 crisis in the United States.

H. On March 20, 2020, Governor Pritzker issued an Executive Order requiring all non-essential persons to stay at home with limited exceptions and non-essential businesses to cease operations with limited exceptions, which order is effective March 21, 2020 through April 7, 2020.

I. On March 26, 2020, President Trump also issued a major disaster declaration for the State of Illinois due to the COVID-19 crisis.

J. The Illinois Department of Public Health has confirmed that localized community transmission of COVID-19 have begun in Illinois, and several cases of COVID-19 have been identified in Lake County and in the City of Lake Forest.

K. Preparedness, response, and recovery from the COVID-19 virus is of paramount importance to protect the health and safety of the residents of the City of Lake Forest.

L. Based on the serious risk posed by the COVID-19 virus, I have determined that extraordinary measure must be taken in order to protect the public health, safety, and welfare.

II. Declaration of Emergency.

Pursuant to the authority vested in the office of the Mayor of the City of Lake Forest by the Illinois Municipal Code Section 5/11-1-6, the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act Section 3305/11 and Title 3, Chapter 34, Section 34.051 of the City Code of Lake Forest, I, George

A. Pandaleon, the Mayor of the City of Lake Forest do hereby declare through this executive order that a Local State of Emergency exists as of this date, April 4, 2020, and shall continue until not later than the adjournment of the first regular or special meeting of the City Council after this state of emergency is declared, unless extended by action of the City Council.

During the existence of this Local State of Emergency, the Mayor may execute such authority as provided under the Illinois Municipal Code, the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act and Section 34.053 of the City Code of Lake Forest. Without limiting the foregoing grant of authority, I currently intend to exercise during the term of this Local State of Emergency only that power which is necessary to manage the assignment and allocation of personnel, equipment, and materials of the City, to declare a force majeure concerning any collective bargaining agreements between the City and any bargaining unit(s) representing City employees, and to generally enforce the guidelines, orders, and regulations issued by the United States Center for Disease Control and Prevention, the Governor of the State of Illinois, and State and local departments of public health.

This Declaration of Local State of Emergency must be filed with the City Clerk of the City of Lake Forest as soon as practicable.

Signed this 4th day of April, 2020.



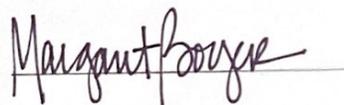
George A. Pandaleon
Mayor, City of Lake Forest

NOTARY ACKNOWLEDGMENT

On this 4th day of April, 2020, George A. Pandaleon, Mayor of the City of Lake Forest, personally appeared before me and acknowledged the foregoing to be his free act and deed.

My Commission Expires: 6-15-2021

(Seal)



Notary Public

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