

**DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY IN AND FOR
THE CITY OF LOUISVILLE**

WHEREAS, Chapter 2.32 of the Louisville Municipal Code and C.R.S. § 24-33.5-801, *et seq.* authorizes the Mayor of the City of Louisville to declare that a disaster emergency has occurred or the threat of such event is imminent; and

WHEREAS, the Novel Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) Pandemic is causing widespread human and economic impacts to the City of Louisville; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, the Governor of the State of Colorado issued a Declaration of Statewide Emergency in response to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020, the Chair of the Board of the Boulder County Commissioners, as principal executive officer of Boulder County, pursuant to § 24-33.5-709, C.R.S., declared a local disaster emergency in the unincorporated area of Boulder County, Colorado, to wit, the occurrence of imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property, resulting from the COVID-19 Pandemic requiring emergency action to avert danger or damage; and

WHEREAS, the cost and magnitude of responding to and recovery from the impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic may be far in excess of the City's available resources; and

WHEREAS, declaration of a local disaster emergency will assist and permit access to local emergency funds, Federal and State assistance, adjustments to policies, procedures, and ordinances to ensure the public's health and welfare; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate and in the interests of the public health and safety of the City and its residents to rapidly address community spread of COVID-19 and subsequent cascading impacts, such as economic distress, and to further protect the health and safety of the public by declaring an emergency in the City of Louisville; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Louisville, as principal executive officer of the City of Louisville, is authorized to unilaterally declare a local disaster pursuant to § 24-33.5-709, C.R.S. and Section 2.32.010 of the Louisville Municipal Code, and to activate the emergency management and operations plans and resolutions of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. There is hereby declared to be a local disaster emergency in the City of Louisville, to wit, the occurrence of imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property, resulting from the COVID-19 Pandemic requiring emergency action to avert danger or damage.

2. The effect of this Declaration shall be to activate the response and recovery aspects of any and all applicable local and inter-jurisdictional disaster emergency plans and to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance under such plans, and for the Mayor, City Manager, and other appropriate City staff to exercise those functions and be vested with such authority as set forth in Section 2.32.010 of the Louisville Municipal Code and C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709.

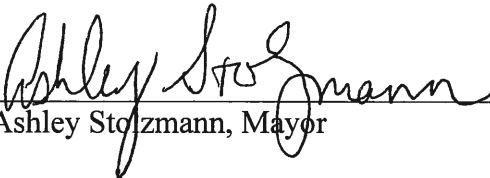
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Declaration shall be effective upon the date and time given below, and shall remain in effect for a period of seven days unless rescinded or extended by the Louisville City Council prior to expiration.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager shall forthwith:

1. Publish and disseminate information to the public, including but not limited to on the City's website;
2. File a copy of this Declaration of Local Disaster Emergency with the City Clerk;
3. File a copy of this Declaration of Local Disaster Emergency with the Colorado Division of Emergency Management; and
4. Distribute a copy of this Declaration of Local Disaster Emergency to the appropriate representatives of the news media.

SIGNED and made immediately effective this 15th day of March, 2020, at 11:30 am.

CITY OF LOUISVILLE



Ashley Stolzmann, Mayor