



**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
CITY OF COVINGTON**

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER AND DECLARATION OF A LOCAL
STATE OF EMERGENCY EFFECTIVE MAY 31, 2020
CITY OF COVINGTON, KENTUCKY**

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-EO-21

WHEREAS, the City of Covington previously established a state of emergency in response to the COVID-19 virus outbreak via Executive Order No 2020-EO-01; and

WHEREAS, recent public gatherings in cities across the United States and in Cincinnati have resulted in destruction and violence; and

WHEREAS, there is a threat of continued and escalating destruction and violence across the nation and locally, resulting in the imposition of public curfews in Cincinnati and Newport, and

WHEREAS, there is a need for security and enforcement for the Covington Police Department and there is a need to protect the City's first responders from the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the current conditions constitute a clear and present danger to the health, safety, and property of the citizens of Covington, have required assistance from neighboring police agencies, and may require enhanced enforcement authority and security resources to protect the lives and property of those who live, work, and do business in Covington.

NOW and therefore, I, Joseph U. Meyer, Mayor of the City of Covington, by virtue of the authority vested in me by KRS Chapter 39A and 39B of the Kentucky Revised Statutes, do hereby declare that a state of emergency exists in the City of Covington, and that I shall be exercising the authority granted to me through Executive Orders, and through utilization of City personnel, services, equipment, and any necessary acts to manage this emergency.

Under this State of Emergency, as provided in KRS 39A.100(2), KRS 39B.070 and 45A.380(1), I may waive procedures and formalities otherwise required by the law pertaining to: (a) performance of public work, (b) entering into contracts, (c) incurring obligations, (d) employment of permanent and temporary workers, (e) utilization of volunteer workers, (f) rental of equipment, and (g) appropriation and expenditure of public funds;

Under this State of Emergency, as provided in KRS 39A.100(2)(b) and KRS 39A.100(2)(c), I may command persons or groups of persons at the scene to disperse and establish curfews and establish their limits. I hereby order the implementation of a curfew from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. in the City of Covington. Individuals are prohibited from appearing in the public spaces of the City of Covington during the period of the curfew. This order is inapplicable to City of Covington officials, members of the public safety agencies, emergency personnel, health care professionals, essential workers, people experiencing homelessness, and local government officials engaged in their lawful duties; and

Under this State of Emergency, I may exercise any other authority as permitted and articulated in KRS 39A and 39B.

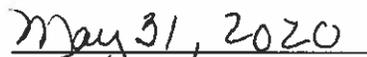
THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE MAY 31, 2020 AND SHALL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL TERMINATED AT 6 A.M. ON THE 2ND DAY OF JUNE, 2020.

Signed on this the 31st day of May, 2020,



Joseph U. Meyer, Mayor

Attest:


Margaret M. Nyhan, City Clerk
Date