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MAYOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER

No.: 2021 – 6

March 17, 2021

WHEREAS, Governor Murphy issued Executive Order No. 102 on February 2, 2020, declaring an emergency in the State of New Jersey due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and he has continued to issue Executive Orders to address this pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on November 10, 2020, I declared a State of Public Health Emergency in the City of Elizabeth and issued a Mayor's Executive Order No.: 2020-1 (*Amended*) which ordered certain restrictions on activities in the City of Elizabeth; on November 25, 2020, I issued Mayor's Executive Order No.: 2020-2, which continued the Public Health Emergency and continued the restrictions in the City of Elizabeth; on December 9, 2020, I issued Mayor's Executive Order No.: 2020-3; on December 23, 2020, I issued Mayor's Executive Order No.: 2020-4, which continued the Public Health Emergency and continued the restrictions in the City of Elizabeth; on January 6, 2021, I issued Mayor's Executive Order No. 2021-1, which continued the Public Health Emergency and continued the restrictions in the City of Elizabeth; on January 20, 2021, I issued Mayor's Executive Order No. 2021-2, which continued the Public Health Emergency and continued the restrictions in the City of Elizabeth; on February 3, 2021, I issued Mayor's

Executive Order No. 2021-3, which continued the Public Health Emergency and continued the restrictions in the City of Elizabeth, on February 17, 2021, I issued Mayor's Executive Order No. 2021-4, which continued the Public Health Emergency and continued the restrictions in the City of Elizabeth; on March 3, 2021, I issued Mayor's Executive Order No. 2021-5, which continued the Public Health Emergency and continued the restrictions in the City of Elizabeth and;

WHEREAS, on November 12, 2020, Governor Murphy issued Executive Order No.: 195, which allows Municipalities to be more restrictive than the Governor's Executive Orders; and

WHEREAS, the Health Officer reports the following regarding the number of new COVID 19 cases subsequent to the issuance of Mayor's Executive Order No.: 2021-5:

3/2/2021 to 3/3/2021	-	58 new cases
3/3/2021 to 3/4/2021	-	62 new cases
3/4/2021 to 3/5/2021	-	41 new cases
3/5/2021 to 3/8/2021	-	178 new cases
3/8/2021 to 3/9/2021	-	68 new cases
3/9/2021 to 3/10/2021	-	47 new cases
3/10/2021 to 3/11/2021	-	57 new cases
3/11/2021 to 3/12/2021	-	57 new cases
3/12/2021 to 3/15/2021	-	134 new cases
3/15/2021 to 3/16/2021	-	25 new cases

Please note that over the past two (2) weeks there have been twenty-three (23) COVID-19 related deaths.

WHEREAS, based on these statistics, the Health Officer for the City of Elizabeth recommends that the Executive Order be extended; and

WHEREAS, based upon the current information on the numbers of diagnosed COVID-19 cases and the recommendation of the Health Officer, I will continue the Declaration of State of Public Health Emergency and the restrictions set forth in my Mayors' Executive Order No.: 2021-4 as modified in this Executive Order; and

WHEREAS, due to the severity and longevity of this pandemic, it is strongly encouraged that all persons stay home as much as possible; and

WHEREAS, although COVID-19 cases are declining, they are still at high levels compared to last Summer and there is concern about new variants. Therefore, based on the strong recommendations of public health experts, our citizens should continue to maintain safety measures, including masking, maintaining social distancing and avoiding crowds until substantially all of the population gets vaccinated; and

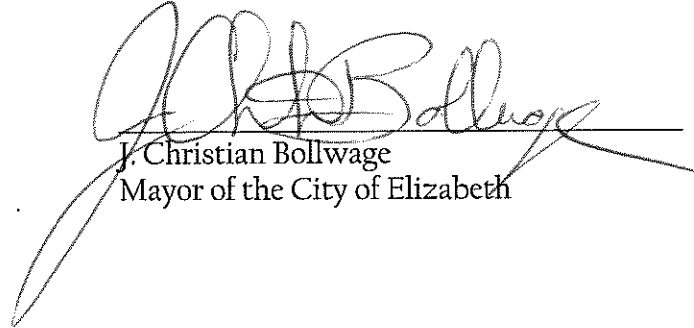
WHEREAS, City Code Sections 2.96.010 – Declaration of Emergency – Emergency Measures, and 2.96.020 – Duration, authorize me to issue emergency orders for the public good; now therefore pursuant to the authority granted to me by law, I hereby declare that the State of Public Health Emergency in the City of Elizabeth is continued; and, be it hereby:

ORDERED

- (1) That all bars, restaurants, clubs, lounges and any establishment with a State Liquor License shall close both inside and outside services at 12:00am (*midnight*), except that take-out and delivery services shall be allowed at any time; and
- (2) All patrons shall leave the premises of all these establishments by 12:00am (*midnight*); and
- (3) The prohibition for service after 12:00am (*midnight*), also includes a prohibition of any form of smoking at these establishments, including, but not limited to cigars, cigarettes, hookah smoking and vaping (*e-cigarettes*).
- (4) Gatherings in any structure in excess of ten (10) people are hereby prohibited from 12:00am (*midnight*) to 5:00am the following day unless those persons are residents of the structure.

This Order shall take effect at 6:00am on Thursday, March 18, 2021. Pursuant to City Code Section 2.96.020, this Emergency Executive Order will be re-evaluated in two (2) weeks.

Dated: March 17, 2021



J. Christian Bollwage
Mayor of the City of Elizabeth