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CITY OF STANLEY RESOLUTION 2020-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF STANLEY, IDAHO ESTABLISHING STANDARDS FOR FACE COVERINGS AND PHYSICAL DISTANCING FOR INDIVIDUALS WHEN THEY ARE IN PUBLIC PLACES

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death, is caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus, which is a new strain of coronavirus that had not been previously identified in humans and can easily spread from person to person. The virus is spread between individuals who are in close contact with each other through respiratory droplets; and

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the International Health Regulations Emergency Committee of the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of COVID-19 a public health emergency of international concern; and

WHEREAS, the CDC reports that people are most contagious when they are most symptomatic (the sickest) however some spread might be possible before people show symptoms although that is not the main way the virus spreads; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, Idaho Governor Brad Little signed a declaration of emergency for the State of Idaho in response to concerns that cases of COVID-19 are imminent in Idaho; and

WHEREAS, the State of Idaho, Department of Health and Welfare and the Eastern Idaho Public Health District continue to recommend that people wear face coverings and maintain physical distancing of at least 6 feet (2 meters) when in public places; and,

WHEREAS, as of July 8, 2020, Idaho was reporting 8,539 total cases of COVID-19, including 487 new cases on June 30, 2020 and 94 deaths to date; and

WHEREAS, because the risk of COVID-19 community spread in the City of Stanley impacts the life and health of the public, it is, therefore, necessary to reduce opportunities for the person-to-person transmission of COVID-19 to combat the spread of the disease; and

WHEREAS, infection rates in Idaho have significantly increased in urban areas in recent weeks, and have begun to increase in Custer County partially due to a swell of summer visitors; and

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WHEREAS, the increase in infections is likely to result in an increase in hospitalizations and usage of ICU beds and ventilators; and

WHEREAS, there are no ICU beds or ventilators in Custer County and the City of Stanley and there is concern among health care providers that a spike in COVID-19 cases will result in a need to divert critically ill patients, which need will not be met due to a lack of available ICU beds and ventilators statewide; and

WHEREAS, wearing face coverings and maintaining physical distancing as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is an effective, inexpensive, and simple method of lessening community spread of the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, there is a continuing and urgent need to protect all residents, employees and visitors in the City of Stanley from the risks relating to the COVID-19 pandemic through the protection provided by wearing facial coverings;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STANLEY, Custer County, Idaho that:

- Section 1.** Whenever a person is in a public place and others who do not live in that person's household are present, the person is strongly encouraged to:
- wear a face covering that completely covers the person's nose and mouth,
 - maintain a physical distance of at least 6 feet (2 meters) from others where possible

"Public place" means any place, indoor or outdoor, that is open to the public and includes, but is not limited to, businesses or other establishments where people assemble and interact, or members of the general public may enter.

Section 2. Facial coverings are not expected to be worn under the following circumstances:

- a. Children under the age of 5. Parents or guardians are responsible for ensuring that children between the ages of 5 and 17 wear appropriate face coverings as identified under this Resolution.
- b. Persons with medical conditions that might prevent them from wearing or removing a face covering.

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- c. Persons who are hearing impaired, or communicating with a person who is hearing impaired, where the ability to see the mouth is essential for communication.
- d. Persons, including on-duty law-enforcement officers, for whom wearing a face covering would create a risk to the person related to their work, as determined by local, state, or federal regulators or workplace safety guidelines.
- e. Persons who are obtaining a service involving the nose, face, or head for which temporary removal of the face covering is necessary to perform the service.
- f. Persons who are eating or drinking at a restaurant or other establishment that offers food or beverage service, so long as they engage in physical distancing.
- g. Persons who are engaged in outdoor activities, work, recreation, or exercise, so long as they engage in physical distancing.
- h. Persons who are engaged in indoor exercise, so long as they engage in physical distancing.

Section 3. All individuals are requested, except as exempted above, to comply with these standards.

Section 4. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon adoption and shall expire on September 30, 2020, unless repealed.

Authorized by the City Council the 9th day of July and signed in open session in authentication of its adoption.



City Councilmember

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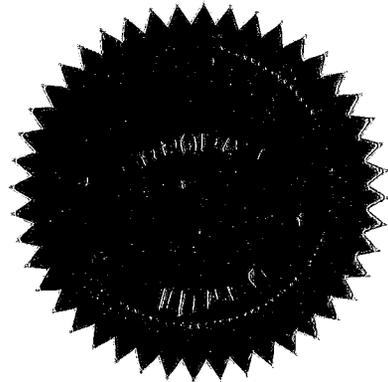
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The Mayor Concurring:

The Honorable Mayor, Steve Botti

ATTEST:

City Clerk



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