BY ORDER OF THE ST. CHARLES COUNTY
DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, a state of emergency was declared in St. Charles County relating to the immediate and significant risk posed to the health, safety, and wellbeing of the people of St. Charles County that is presented by the SARS-CoV-2 virus, the disease which causes Novel Coronavirus 2019 ("COVID-19"); and

WHEREAS, the guidance of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the United States Department of Health and Human Services (the "CDC") is that there should be limitations on the size of gatherings and other related requirements; and

WHEREAS, the latest recommendation is that gatherings be limited in size to 10 people or less and that events with fewer than 10 people be permitted only if the organizers adhere to guidelines for protecting vulnerable populations, hand hygiene, and social distancing; and

WHEREAS, to prevent widespread transmission of COVID-19, citizens are advised to stay home as much as possible, to avoid crowds, and to avoid contact with individuals who may be exposed to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the regulations of the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services under the authority of §192.006 and §192.020 RSMo., place upon the Director of the Department of Public Health of St. Charles County the duty to establish appropriate control measures to prevent the spread of communicable disease, including COVID-19. Such measures include the creation and enforcement of adequate orders as deemed appropriate to control and prevent the spread thereof; and

WHEREAS, maintaining the health and safety of the staff of the St. Charles County government and all persons having business in St. Charles County government buildings is vital to maintain the government’s operations and functions, including those operations necessary to protect the health and safety the people of St. Charles County, and to prevent and control the spread of COVID-19 as much as practicable;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DEMETRIUS CIANCI-CHAPMAN, DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH OF ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MISSOURI, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the Laws of the State of Missouri, and the Charter and Ordinances of the County of St. Charles, do hereby issue the following Public Health Emergency Order:

1. All persons entering St. Charles County government buildings shall be required (a) to have their temperature taken by a St. Charles County employee by means of a temporal artery thermometer or by an oral thermometer with disposable probe covers; (2) to answer questions regarding when and where such persons have travelled within the past 15 days; (3) to answer questions as to whether such persons have had any symptoms common to SARS-CoV-2, the disease which causes COVID-19; and (4) to answer questions as to whether such persons have been administered any antipyretic medication (i.e., Tylenol, acetaminophen, ibuprofen, et al.) within the previous 12 hours.

2. Any person determined to be at risk of exposure to COVID-19 or SARS-CoV-2, the virus which causes COVID-19, as determined by the St. Charles County Health Department, shall not be permitted entry into any St. Charles County government building, and instead, shall be directed to call the
St. Charles County Department of Public Health COVID-19 Information Hotline, 636-949-1899, for assistance with their government needs.

3. Any person who refuses to have their temperature taken by a St. Charles County employee; who refuses to answer questions regarding when and where such person has travelled within the past 15 days; or who has taken an antipyretic medication (i.e., Tylenol, acetaminophen, ibuprofen, et al.) within the previous 12 hours shall not be permitted entry into any St. Charles County government building.

4. All County Employees are encouraged to communicate with the public through virtual, electronic, or telephonic means when feasible.

5. Unless otherwise set forth herein, this order shall be effective on March 19, 2020, upon my execution hereof and it shall expire only upon further order.

Signed this 19th day of March, 2020.

Demetrius Cianci-Chapman, Director
Department of Public Health
St. Charles County, Missouri

ATTEST:

Brenda Hinton, County Registrar