



# CITY OF SAINT PAUL ALASKA

## EMERGENCY ORDINANCE 22-96

### PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY “HUNKER DOWN” ORDER TO PREVENT FURTHER SPREAD OF COVID-19 THROUGHOUT SAINT PAUL ISLAND

**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 pandemic has generated a public health emergency that threatens to overwhelm our healthcare system, endangering the lives and wellbeing of the people on Saint Paul Island; and,

**WHEREAS**, the variants of COVID-19 is highly contagious and the most effective way to prevent its spread throughout Saint Paul Island is through restricting residents from leaving their homes as much as possible; and,

**WHEREAS**, community spread of COVID-19 is occurring; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City of Saint Paul seeks to preserve the health and safety of our community while ensuring that vital goods and services continue to be available; and,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL:**

The City Council orders the following emergency response to preserve life on Saint Paul Island. The following emergency regulations go into effect on June 7, 2022 at 5:00 pm for 10 days ending on January 18, 2022 at 5:00 pm.

#### 1. Stay at Home Guidelines

- a. Everyone on Saint Paul Island shall stay at home as much as possible, except to:
  - i. work in certain essential businesses as defined below;
  - ii. to buy, sell, or deliver groceries or other important goods;
  - iii. to receive or provide health care; and
  - iv. to get fresh air without contacting others.
- b. Home may include a residence, temporary residence, or a shelter.
- c. On the limited occasion that individuals are permitted to leave home, they should maintain physical distancing of at least six feet from any person outside their household whenever possible.
- d. Individuals are strongly encouraged to practice recommended hygiene, including regular hand washing.
- e. Individuals are required to wear a well-fitted face mask whenever in indoor public facilities.

**2. “High Risk” Individuals**

- a. It is strongly recommended, in accordance with Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidance, that individuals deemed “high risk” should take even greater precautions and avoid leaving home as much as possible.
- b. “High risk” individuals include those 60 years and older and individuals of any age with a serious underlying medical condition.
- c. Anyone deemed “high risk” should reduce exposure by staying at home, not physically going to work, and not doing their own shopping, if possible.
- d. Household members of those who are “high risk” should implement these more stringent guidelines as well, to the extent possible.

**3. Essential Businesses**

- a. Businesses deemed “essential” serve critical roles that are necessary to combat this public health emergency or that provide critical community functions are to remain open.
- b. All other businesses must close their premises; however, businesses and entities may continue to utilize telecommuting or work from home procedures. Assuming proper physical distancing measures can be accomplished, up to two people may be inside a non-essential business that is closed to the public for the purposes of essential upkeep, site maintenance, performing payroll, or facilitating remote business operations or online order fulfillment through email or physical mail.

**4. Well-Fitted Face Mask Requirement**

- a. Businesses, public and private organizations and government institutions shall require that all customers and visitors to their facilities wear a well-fitted face (i.e. KN95s or N95) mask covering their nose and mouth to provide additional protection for employees and customers.

**5. Emergency Ordinance 22-95**

- a. All sections of the City of Saint Paul Emergency Ordinance 22-95 are still in effect.

**FURTHER**, this Emergency Ordinance may be reauthorized or extended by the City Council as necessary, each extension being for a finite period of time.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAINT PAUL  
THIS 7<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2022 BY \_\_\_ IN FAVOR \_\_\_ OPPOSED AND \_\_\_ ABSTAIN.

ATTEST:

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Jacob N. Mercurief, Mayor

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Monique Baker, City Clerk