

**A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly Requiring People in the Haines Borough to Shelter in Place Related to COVID-19.**

**WHEREAS**, COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death and is caused by the SARS-Cov-2 virus (virus), a new strain of the coronavirus that has not been previously identified in humans and is easily transmittable person to person; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization (WHO) declared a pandemic; Alaska Governor Dunleavy issued a declaration of public health disaster emergency in response to the anticipated outbreak of COVID-19 in Alaska; and on March 13, 2020 President Donald J. Trump declared a national emergency in response to the virus pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, the Haines Borough Manager activated the Haines Borough Emergency Operations Command (EOC); and

**WHEREAS**, on March 17, 2020, the Haines Borough Mayor issued a Declaration of Emergency for the Haines Borough to alert the public to the seriousness of the risk, and provide direction to sources of information and other available public health resources, while the Haines Borough works in cooperation with other local and state agencies through the EOC to implement actions and responses to address the probable COVID-19 outbreak; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 24, 2020, the Haines Borough Assembly declared a local emergency in response to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, the known best practice for preventing the spread of coronavirus is the preventing contact between people,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Haines Borough Assembly to require all residents and visitors who **have no symptoms, have** not been tested for coronavirus and not been in contact with a person infected with COVID-19 to **Shelter in Place**.

**Shelter in Place** means: (1) If you have no symptoms and have NOT tested positive of COVID-19, stay home except for procuring food, fuel, supplies, mail and medical appointments. When engaging with other people, establish space of at least 6 ft. apart. (2) Practice healthy outdoor activity while remaining at least six feet apart. (3) If you are an employee and your business or employer has been closed by State Mandate, request permission to work from home via electronic means. (4) If you are an employer, business or employee described in Appendix A. **Haines Borough Critical Business, Industry or Economic Sectors**, institute a plan of operation that minimizes contact between workers and customers, minimizes congregation of people (no more than 10 people may congregate, per State Health Mandate 9.1), and emphasizes hygienic practices. Consider closing your business to walk-in customers and perform services telephonically to the extent possible.

**Effective Date and Duration:** This requirement shall go into effect March 25, 2020 at 12:01 am and will terminate April 15, 2020 at 12:01 am unless extended.

Adopted by a duly-constituted quorum of the Haines Borough Assembly on this 24th day of March, 2020.

Attest:

  
Alekka Fullerton, CMC, Borough Clerk



  
Janice Hill, Mayor

Appendix A.

**Haines Borough Critical Business, Industry or Economic Sectors**

Functioning critical infrastructure is imperative during the response to the COVID-19 emergency for both public health and safety as well as community well-being. Certain critical infrastructure industries have a special responsibility in these times to continue operations. At this time, critical industries and entities in Haines include:

- a. "Healthcare Operations" including the clinic, dental emergency services, pharmacies, other healthcare facilities, home healthcare services providers, mental health providers, consumer health products, or any related and/or ancillary healthcare services. "Healthcare Operations" includes veterinary care. "Healthcare Operations" does not include fitness and exercise gyms and yoga.
- b. Businesses providing any services or performing any work necessary to the operations and maintenance of "Essential Infrastructure," including, but not limited to, Ports and Harbors, public works construction, construction of housing, airport operations, water, sewer, gas, electrical, mining, logging, roads and highways, public transportation, solid waste collection and removal, internet, and telecommunications systems (including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and web-based services).
- c. Financial services sector, banks and insurance companies.
- d. First responders, emergency management personnel, emergency dispatchers, court personnel, and law enforcement personnel.
- e. Individuals providing "Essential Governmental Functions". "Essential Government Functions" means all services needed to ensure the continuing operation of government agencies and provide for the health, safety, and welfare of the public.
- f. Grocery stores, supermarkets, food banks, convenience stores, and other establishments engaged in the retail sale of household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products).
- g. Food and agriculture, cultivation, including farming, livestock, and fishing;
- h. Businesses that provide social services and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals;
- i. Newspapers, television, radio, and other media services;
- j. Gas stations and auto-supply, auto-repair, bicycle-repair, and related facilities;
- k. Hardware stores; Plumbers, electricians, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences and critical business facilities;

- l. Businesses providing mailing and shipping services, including post office boxes;
- m. Educational institutions facilitating distance learning;
- n. Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers;
- o. Restaurants, breweries, distilleries and other facilities that prepare and serve food or beverages, but only for delivery or carry out under the restrictions set forth in COVID-19 Health Mandate 003;
- p. Businesses that supply products needed for people to work from home;
- q. Businesses that supply other essential businesses with the support or supplies necessary to operate;
- r. Businesses that transport wholesale goods to retail stores, delivery of fuel, or other services directly to residences or other critical industries outlined in this health mandate.
- s. Airlines, marine vessels, taxis, and other private transportation business providing transportation services;
- t. Residential facilities and shelters for seniors, adults, and children;
- u. Professional services, such as legal or accounting services, when necessary to assist in compliance with legally-mandated activities;
- v. Childcare facilities, subject to new recommendations for increased hygiene and social distancing. Childcare facilities should be used only by those who need childcare to work at a critical job.