

EXECUTIVE DIRECTIVE NO. 2020 – 1

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a virus which is passed between people through air-borne droplets or on various surfaces and can cause severe respiratory illness and death. To date no drug or vaccine is currently approved to treat or prevent COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, the Governor of the State of Illinois issued a disaster proclamation due to the impact of the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2020, I, Daniel P. DiMaria, Village President of the Village of Morton Grove issued a *Declaration of Emergency* due to the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2020, pursuant to Ordinance 20-08, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Morton Grove granted emergency powers to the Village President and the Village Administrator to respond to the impacts of the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, the Center for Disease Control ("CDC") and the U.S. Surgeon General have recommended that all individuals wear cloth face coverings in public settings where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain, because people who are asymptomatic can spread COVID-19 more widely than previously thought; and

WHEREAS, this directive is issued to protect the health, safety, and welfare of persons within the Village, by directing and encouraging all residents, workers and visitors in Morton Grove to comply with the recommendations of the CDC and the U.S. Surgeon General.

THEREFORE, I, Daniel P. DiMaria, Village President of the Village of Morton Grove, pursuant to the authority granted to me pursuant to Ordinance 20-08 hereby issues the following directive:

1. The official policy of the Village of Morton Grove is to direct and recommend all persons engaging in any activity outside of their place of residence while other people are present are required to wear face covering to include their nose and mouth made of any cloth or other material which is reasonably designed and made to inhibit, filter or restrict the breath, sneeze, cough or other exhaling from one's nose and mouth, including but not limited to a non-medical grade mask, cloth or plastic mask, scarf, bandana or handkerchief. This directive shall not apply to persons:

- a. Engaged in outdoor activity such as walking, running, biking or other solitary physical activity while at the same time practicing social or physical distancing of at least six feet from others;
 - b. Riding alone in a personal vehicle;
 - c. Who are alone or with household members in a separate single space;
 - d. When doing so creates a greater health, safety or security risk to the individual or the public; and
 - e. While drinking or eating.
2. A business owner or operator may refuse admission or service to any individual who fails to wear a face covering reasonably designed and made to inhibit, filter or restrict the passing of a person's breath, sneeze, cough or other exhaling from one's nose and mouth.
 3. Medical-grade masks or N95 respirators are not recommended for general public use under this order and should be reserved for use by health care providers and first responders.
 4. Persons not following this directive may be issued a warning issued by the Village of Morton Grove Police Department. Persons not following this directive who have previously received a warning from the Village of Morton Grove Police Department may be issued a citation or arrested in the discretion of the Chief of Police or his designee.
 5. This directive does not supplant or diminish the need for all residents, workers in and visitors to Morton Grove, to practice social and physical distancing in all settings and with all ages. Social and physical distancing is still the first, best, and required practice to combat the COVID- 19 pandemic.

Issued this 15 day of April 2020



Daniel P. DiMaria, Village President
Village of Morton Grove