CITY OF PAGE

PROCLAMATION REINSTATING PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES TO SLOW COVID-19

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the Governor of the State of Arizona, Douglas A. Ducey, declared that a State of Emergency exists in Arizona due to the COVID-19 outbreak; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Mayor of the City of Page ("City"), declared that a State of Emergency exists in the City due to the COVID-19 outbreak; and

WHEREAS, on July, 6, 2020, the Mayor issued a Proclamation Relating to Precautionary Measures to Slow COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the July 6, 2020 Proclamation Relating to Precautionary Measures to Slow COVID-19 was rescinded on August 5, 2020; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 cases in Page and surrounding areas are increasing substantially; and

WHEREAS, the State of Emergency in Page, Arizona continues and new threats due to COVID-19 have recently emerged; and

WHEREAS, precautionary measures such as face coverings are needed to slow the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, I wish to formally support the State of Arizona’s requirements already established for businesses and residents in the City, encourage businesses to be proactive in implementing measures to slow the spread of COVID-19, and strongly encourage all residents and visitors within the City to likewise implement precautionary measures including physical distancing, avoiding contact with any persons if you are sick or feeling unwell, regular hand washing, and require the use of face coverings under certain circumstances as set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Mayor of the City of Page, County of Coconino, State of Arizona, I do hereby:

1. Declare that except as provided below, effective as of November 19, 2020, all persons six (6) years of age or older shall wear a face covering over their nose and mouth when inside a commercial entity or other building open to the public, where it is difficult to follow CDC guidelines for social distancing and continually keep six feet away from other persons.

2. Exceptions:

   The requirement to wear face coverings does not apply to the following situations:
a) While consuming food or drink;
b) When doing so poses a greater mental or physical health, safety, or security risk;
c) When a person cannot medically tolerate wearing a face covering;
d) Individuals whose sincerely held religious beliefs, as defined under state law, would be substantially burdened by the requirement to wear a face covering;
e) Individuals while acting in their official capacity as a public safety employee or emergency responder when wearing a face covering would interfere with or limit their ability to carry out their official duties or functions. These include peace officers, firefighters, and other public safety or emergency medical personnel that support public safety operations;
f) When an individual is in their work office, conference room, or other workspace not intended for use by the general public;
g) In settings where it is not practicable or feasible to wear a face covering such as when receiving dental services or medical treatments; or
h) Businesses that require identification from patrons (e.g. alcohol sales), may require that a patron temporarily remove a face covering for the purposes of identification.

2. Enforcement: Any individual or business violating the provisions of this Proclamation shall first be notified of these provisions and given an opportunity to comply before any enforcement action is taken. After such notification and opportunity to comply, any person or business who violates this Proclamation may be subject to civil penalty of not more than $50.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Page, Arizona to be affixed this 18th day of November, 2020.

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William R. Diak, Mayor

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CITY ATTORNEY