CITY OF AUDUBON PARK, KENTUCKY DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 1, SERIES 2020

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Health and Human Services declared a public health emergency for the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), beginning January 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 6, 2020, a case of COVID-19 was confirmed in Kentucky and on the same date, the Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky declared a state of emergency in the Commonwealth due to the confirmed cases in Central Kentucky and the possible community spread of the virus; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) identified the potential public health threat posed by COVID-19 globally and in the United States as "high" and has advised that the spread of the virus will continue globally and in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 Coronavirus situation creates a considerable hardship for the citizens of Audubon Park; and

WHEREAS, local government has the responsibility to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the community, and to mitigate the effects of such events; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the City to coordinate an emergency effort with national, state, county and other local agencies for maximum effective response; and

WHEREAS, according to KRS 39A.100 (2) the mayor of a city, subject to any orders of the Governor, shall have and may exercise for the period as the state of emergency exists or continues, the following emergency powers:

- (a) To enforce all laws and administrative regulations relating to disaster and emergency response and to direct all local disaster and emergency response forces and operations in the affected county, city, urban-county, or charter county;
- (b) To exclude all nonessential, unauthorized, disruptive, or uncooperative personnel from the scene of the emergency, and to command persons or groups of persons at the scene to disperse. A person who refuses to leave an area in which a written order of evacuation has been issued in accordance with a written declaration of emergency or a disaster may be forcibly removed to a place of safety or shelter, or may, if this is resisted, be arrested by a peace officer. Forcible removal or arrest shall not be exercised as options until all reasonable efforts for voluntary compliance have been exhausted;

- (c) To declare curfews and establish their limits;
- (d) To order immediate purchase or rental of, contract for, or otherwise procure, without regard to procurement codes or budget requirements, the goods and services essential for protection of public health and safety or to maintain or to restore essential public services;
- (e) To request emergency assistance from any local government or special district and, through the Governor, to request emergency assistance from any state agency and to initiate requests for federal assistance as are necessary for protection of public health and safety or for continuation of essential public services.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Williams, Mayor of the City of Audubon Park, Kentucky, by the authority vested in me by KRS Chapter 39A, and KRS 39B.070 do hereby declare a State of Emergency exists in the City of Audubon Park, Kentucky and continuing until the State of Emergency no longer exists.

Tony Williams, Mayor

3/31/2020

Date

Attested:

Janette Mercer dity Clerk