



TARRANT COUNTY

EXECUTIVE ORDER BY COUNTY JUDGE DURING DECLARED LOCAL DISASTER

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has recognized the novel coronavirus, now designated COVID-19 as a global pandemic; and

WHEREAS, I, as County Judge, have signed a Second Amended Declaration of Local Disaster, (hereinafter Second Amended Declaration) on March 21, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Second Amended Declaration orders that certain businesses shall be closed; and

NOW, THEREFORE, as County Judge of Tarrant County, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by Chapter 418 of the Texas Government Code during a time of local disaster, I do hereby ORDER the following on a countywide basis effective 12 noon on this 22nd day of March 2020:

1. The Second Amended Declaration of Local Disaster is hereby further clarified and ORDERED:

The Second Amended Declaration shall not be construed to hinder the ability of the industries identified in the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Cyber and Infrastructure Security Agency's (CISA) Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce Memorandum dated March 19, 2020 to continue their operation appropriately modified to account for Centers for Disease Control (CDC) workforce and consumer protection guidance.

Critical infrastructure industry, as defined by the Department of Homeland Security, such as healthcare services and pharmaceutical and food supply, are businesses delivering essential services under the Second Amended Declaration and are specifically exempted from the Second Amended Declaration.

2. Nothing in the Second Amended Declaration limits online sales by retail stores or the employees necessary to facilitate online sales, as long as there is sufficient space for all people to be 6 feet apart.

ORDERED this 22nd day of March 2020 at 12 noon.


B. Glen Whitley, County Judge