SUPPLEMENT TO THE AMENDED ORDER OF RED OAK (SHELTER IN PLACE) DATE SUPPLEMENT AMENDED ORDER ISSUED: APRIL 17, 2020

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 418.108, the Mayor of the City of Red Oak issued a Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency on March 13, 2020, due to a novel coronavirus now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, Mayor Stanfill issued an Order in furtherance of his authority to protect the safety and welfare of the public by slowing the spread of the virus; and,

WHEREAS, the on-going evaluation of circumstances related to the virus and the updated recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and the Texas Department of State Health Services warrant the March 13, 2020 Order of Red Oak Mayor Stanfill to be amended;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump acknowledged the gravity of the COVID-19 pandemic, releasing strict new guidelines to limit people's interactions, including that Americans should avoid groups of more than 10 people;

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Red Oak City Council issued an Order of Continuance of Declaration of Local Disaster for Public Health Emergency that affirmed the activation of the Red Oak Emergency Management Plan and extends the Declaration of Local Disaster until 11:59 p.m. on April 13, 2020, unless rescinded by order of the Red Oak City Council.

WHEREAS, the City of Red Oak proximity to Dallas County and the need to increase restrictions to blunt the spread of COVID-19;

THEREFORE, the prior Orders of City of Red Oak Mayor Mark L. Stanfill is hereby AMENDED as follows:

Summary: The virus that causes 2019 Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) is easily transmitted through person to person contact, especially in group settings, and it is essential that the spread of the virus be slowed to protect the ability of public and private health care providers to handle the influx of new patients and safeguard public health and safety. Because of the risk of the rapid spread of the virus, and the need to protect the most vulnerable members of the community, this Order requires all individuals anywhere in the City of Red Oak to shelter in place – that is, stay at home – except for certain essential activities and work to provide essential business and government services or perform essential public infrastructure construction, including housing. This Order takes effect at 11:59 p.m. on April 13, 2020 and will continue through 11:59 p.m. on May 11, 2020, subject to the limited exceptions and under the terms and conditions more particularly set forth below.

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UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 418.108, RED OAK MAYOR MARK STANFILL ISSUED A SUPPLEMENT TO THE AMENDED ORDER:

Covering of Nose and Mouth: Because an infected person can transmit the COVID-19 virus to others before showing any symptoms, the covering of a person's nose and mouth is necessary to help slow the spread of the virus. Effective at 11:59 p.m. on April 17, 2020, to the greatest extent possible all persons over the age of two (2) shall wear some form of covering over their nose and mouth, such as a homemade mask, scarf, bandana or handkerchief, when patronizing an Essential Business or using public transportation pursuant to the rules outlined in Exhibit A. Parents and Guardians of children under 10 shall be responsible for appropriately masking children pursuant to this Order. To the greatest extent possible, all non-medical employees who work at an Essential Businesses or perform services that are exempt under this Order must wear face coverings over their noses and mouths while performing their work. An owner or operator of an Essential Business may refuse admission or service to any individual who fails to wear face covering. Wearing a face covering is not a substitute for maintaining 6-feet social distancing and hand washing, as these remain important steps to slowing the spread of the virus.

Effective as of 11:59 p.m. on April 17, 2020, and continuing until 11:59 p.m. on May 11, 2020:

DECLARED and ORDERED this 17th day of April 2020.

Mark L. Stanfill, DVM Mayor, City of Red Oak

ATTESTED:

Dana Argumaniz
City Secretary

EXHIBIT A

Guidance on Covering Nose and Mouth

A significant percentage of individuals with the COVID-19 virus lack symptoms. Because an infected person can transmit the virus to others before showing any symptoms, the covering of a person's nose and mouth when visiting an Essential Business is necessary to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. This is consistent with the findings of the CDC and Dallas County Health Authority.

Staying home is the best way to help reduce the spread of the virus, but if an individual must leave their place of residence to visit an Essential Business, wearing a fabric face mask shall be used as outlined in this Order. Wearing a face covering is not a substitute for maintaining 6-feet social distancing and hand washing, as these remain important steps to slowing the spread of the virus. The face coverings recommended are not surgical masks or N-95 respirators, which are critical supplies that must continue to be reserved for healthcare workers and first responders.

The public in general and Essential Business employees shall comply with the following:

A. To the greatest extent possible, all persons over the age of two (2) shall wear some form of covering over their nose and mouth, such as a homemade mask, scarf, bandana or handkerchief, when:

- 1) patronizing an Essential Business; and
- 2) using public transportation, taxis, or ride shares.
- **B.** This section shall not apply to persons that are:
- 1) riding in a personal vehicle;
- 2) engaging in outdoor activity;
- 3) eating; or
- 4) when wearing a covering poses a greater mental or physical health, safety or security risk such as anyone who has trouble breathing, or is unconscious, incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the cover without assistance.

Children under the age of two (including infants) should not wear cloth face coverings. Those between the ages of two and nine should use them but under adult supervision to ensure that the child can breathe safely and avoid choking or suffocation. Children with breathing problems should not wear a face covering. Parents and Guardians of children under 10 shall be responsible for appropriately masking children pursuant to this Order.

All COVID-19 Suspected Positives, those currently being tested, and untested individuals with cough and/or fever, and household members of same category of individuals shall not leave their residence without a mask or cloth face covering to prevent the spread to others.

To the greatest extent possible, all individuals working for an Essential Business must wear a mask or cloth face covering whenever in public and whenever performing job duties in the presence of others. To the greatest extent possible, employers shall provide employees with a mask or face covering. An owner or operator of an Essential Business may refuse admission or service to any individual who fails to wear face covering.

Medical grade (N95) and surgical masks should be reserved and used only by medical professionals and first responders. Cloth face coverings are not intended for use by healthcare workers, first responders, and others whose work requires close contact with people who are ill.

Cloth coverings should be made in accordance with CDC Guidance, which can be found here: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html