

BY ORDER OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE 20-04

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, a state of emergency was declared in St. Charles County relating to the immediate and significant risk posed to the health, safety, and wellbeing of the people of St. Charles County that is presented by COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the guidance of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the United States Department of Health and Human Services (the "CDC") is that there should be limitations on the size of gatherings and other related requirements; and

WHEREAS, the latest recommendation is that gatherings be limited in size to 10 people or less and that events with fewer than 10 people be permitted only if the organizers adhere to guidelines for protecting vulnerable populations, hand hygiene, and social distancing; and

WHEREAS, the CDC's guidance is not intended to supersede the advice of local public health officials; and

WHEREAS, to prevent widespread transmission of COVID-19, citizens are advised to stay home as much as possible and to avoid crowds; and

WHEREAS, to minimize the morbidity and mortality caused by COVID-19, citizens are asked to assist their compatriots who are most vulnerable to this disease by helping to keep them safe and supplied in their homes, by ensuring they have the necessities they need to get through this pandemic period; and

WHEREAS, an invocation of the provisions of Chapter 44 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, is required to ensure the protection of the safety and welfare of the citizens of Missouri and St. Charles County;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEVE EHLMANN, COUNTY EXECUTIVE OF ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MISSOURI, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the Laws of the State of Missouri, and the Charter and Ordinances of the County of St. Charles, do hereby declare as follows:

1. It shall be unlawful for any person to organize or to attend a gathering of 10 people or more in a single indoor space or enclosure for recreational, social or entertainment purposes.
2. Any person who organizes a gathering of 9 people or less, for any purpose, shall take appropriate action to minimize risk to the greatest extent possible by implementing and enforcing mitigation measures, including but not limited to social distancing, limiting the time period of gatherings, consideration of room size for purposes of social distancing, frequent sanitizing of all surfaces, and posting of signs.
3. Business activities not addressed above, shall take appropriate action to minimize risk to the greatest extent possible by implementing and enforcing mitigation measures, including but not limited to social distancing, limiting the time period of gatherings, consideration of room size for purposes of social distancing, frequent sanitizing of all surfaces, and posting of signs.
4. The Director of the Department of Public Health may promulgate such mandatory or advisory rules, orders, policies, and guidance as is necessary and appropriate to implement this Executive Order or the

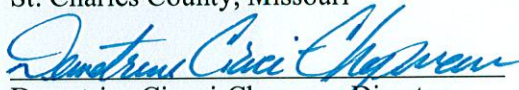
Executive Order dated March 13, 2020, or the amended Executive order dated March 16, 2020, or the amended Executive Order dated March 17, 2020, or to define any of the terms used in those orders. Mandatory rules, orders, or policies so promulgated shall have the force of law to the greatest extent permitted by federal, state, and county law.

5. Unless otherwise set forth herein, this order shall be effective on March 20, 2020, 12:01 a.m. upon my execution hereof and it shall expire only upon further order.

Signed this 19th day of March, 2020.

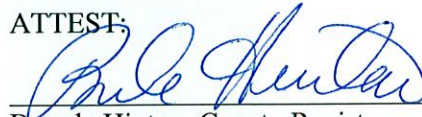


Steve Ehlmann, County Executive
St. Charles County, Missouri



Demetrius Cianci-Chapman, Director
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St. Charles County, Missouri

ATTEST:



Brenda Hinton, County Registrar