RESOLUTION NO. 2020-07
OF THE TOWN OF MAGNOLIA SPRINGS, ALABAMA


WHEREAS, international, national, state, and local health and governmental authorities are responding to an outbreak of respiratory disease caused by a novel coronavirus named “SARS-CoV-2,” and the disease it causes has been named “coronavirus disease 2019,” abbreviated COVID-19, (“COVID-19”);

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, the Director of the World Health Organization described the COVID-19 outbreak as a pandemic;

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States issued a "Proclamation on Declaring a National Emergency Concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Outbreak;"

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the Governor of the State of Alabama issued a proclamation of a state of public health emergency related to the COVID-19 outbreak;

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the Town of Magnolia Springs proclaimed the existence of a local emergency to ensure an effective response by the Town to COVID-19;

WHEREAS, the Town of Magnolia Springs, Alabama (the “Town”) is presently faced with a public health emergency due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic;

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Alabama Department of Health, and the Baldwin County Department of Public Health have all issued recommendations including, but not limited to, social distancing, staying home if sick, canceling or postponing large group events, working from home, and other precautions to protect public health and prevent transmission of this communicable virus;

WHEREAS, at this time, the COVID-19 pandemic presents an existing and increasing possibility of the occurrence of a public health hazard or emergency of unprecedented size resulting from natural causes, said conditions are described in Section 31-9-2(a) of the Code of Alabama 1975;

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WHEREAS, Title 31, Chapter 9 of the Code of Alabama grants broad authority to the Town to take appropriate measures in response to the current public health emergency;

WHEREAS, section 31-9-2(b)(6) of the Code of Alabama specifically grants to the Town the power and authority to close any and all public buildings owned or leased by and under the control of the Town where such emergency conditions warrant; and

WHEREAS, section 11-47-130 of the Code of Alabama provides further that “[a]ll cities and towns in this state shall have the power to maintain the health and cleanliness of the city or town within its limits and within the police jurisdiction thereof”.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE TOWN OF MAGNOLIA SPRINGS, ALABAMA, in a specially called meeting assembled for such purpose, that a local state of emergency is hereby proclaimed for the Town of Magnolia Springs, Alabama, due to the necessity of precautionary measures and preparations that must be taken by the Town related to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic in the Town of Magnolia Springs, Alabama, commencing at 5:00 p.m. on March 16, 2020.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that during the aforesaid period the state of local emergency exists, the Town of Magnolia Springs, Alabama, shall exercise all authority, powers and privileges, as prescribed by applicable Federal law and/or Alabama law and/or Local law and/or policies of this municipal governing body.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that, under the authority provided by Section 31-9-10(b)(6) of the Code of Alabama, and without limitation, the Town hereby determines that the necessity of precautionary measures and preparations that must be taken by the Town of Magnolia Springs, Alabama related to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic does indeed present an existing and increasing possibility of the occurrence of a public health hazard or emergency of unprecedented size resulting from natural causes and, therefore, to protect the health, safety and welfare of the general public and to preserve the lives of those citizens who work in public buildings owned or leased by and under the control of the Town of Magnolia Springs, Alabama, this political subdivision desires to authorize, by this instrument, the closure of all non-essential buildings, facilities and properties that are owned, leased or controlled by the Town of Magnolia Springs, Alabama, as determined by the Mayor of Town of Magnolia Springs, Alabama, as set forth below.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor the Town of Magnolia Springs, Alabama shall have broad authority in connection with Town operations during the existence of the instant emergency, including, without limitation, the following: the authority to determine closures of Town facilities; the authority to designate essential and non-essential personnel; the authority to modify leave policies and procedures in response to the nature and severity of the present emergency; to pay the recurring expenses of the Town; and to otherwise take all actions necessary to respond to and mitigate the public health crisis.

APPROVED and ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Magnolia Springs, Alabama, on March 16, 2020.

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KIM KONIAR, Mayor
Town of Magnolia Springs, Alabama

ATTEST:

JENNY OPAL WHITE
Town Clerk/Treasurer

STATE OF ALABAMA    )
COUNTY OF BALDWIN    )

I, the undersigned qualified and acting Clerk of the Town of Magnolia Springs, Alabama, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true copy of a resolution lawfully passed and adopted by the Magnolia Springs Town Council, at a specially called meeting of such council, held on the 16th day of March, 2020, and that said Resolution is on file in the office of the Magnolia Springs Town Clerk.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Town of Magnolia Springs, on this the 16th day of March, 2020.

JENNY OPAL WHITE
Town Clerk/Treasurer

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CERTIFICATE AS TO PUBLICATION

I, the undersigned acting Town Clerk of the Town of Magnolia Springs, Alabama, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was published by me by the posting thereof on March 17, 2020, at the Baldwin County Courthouse in Bay Minette, Alabama, and in the following three public places within the corporate limits of the Town of Magnolia Springs, to wit:

1) Magnolia Springs Town Hall;
2) Magnolia Springs Post Office; and
3) United Bank in Magnolia Springs

and that each of said copies remained continuously so posted for a period of not less than five consecutive days.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official corporate seal of the Town of Magnolia Springs, Alabama.

JENNY OPAL WHITE
Town Clerk/Treasurer

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PUBLIC NOTICE

DETERMINATION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
OF THE TOWN OF MAGNOLIA SPRINGS, ALABAMA, REGARDING
CLOSING OF CERTAIN TOWN BUILDINGS AND/OR FACILITIES TO THE PUBLIC
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION NO. 2020-07

The Town Council of the Town of Magnolia Springs, Alabama, on March 16, 2020, adopted Resolution #2020-07 regarding precautionary measures and preparations that must be taken by the Town Council related to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic which poses a hazard to the safety and welfare of the general public, and exercising the authority provided at Section 31-9-10 (B)(6) of the Code of Alabama 1975, to close certain public buildings owned or leased by and under the control of the Town Council, except for offices providing essential services to the public.

By determination of the Town Council of the Town of Magnolia Springs, Alabama, this facility is CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC until further notice.

Persons seeking entry may be screened for COVID-19 and persons exhibiting symptoms may be refused entry.

Please visit http://www.townofmagnoliasprings.org/ for more information on facility closings and services provided. Please call the following telephone numbers if you need any essential services or have questions regarding government or other services:

251-965-9888 Town of Magnolia Springs (main)
251-965-7808 Magnolia Springs Fire Rescue
251-937-0202 Baldwin County Sheriff’s Department
1-800-252-1818 Alabama Department of Public Health
911 Emergency
1-800-232-4636 Center for Disease Control and Prevention

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