



St. Tammany Parish Government **OFFICE OF THE PARISH PRESIDENT**

Executive Order

St. Tammany Parish Government Contact: 985-898-2700

EXECUTIVE ORDER AMENDING PHASE III OF THE RECOVERY PLAN IN RESPONSE TO THE PARISH-WIDE STATE OF EMERGENCY AS PER THE LOUISIANA HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE AND DISASTER ACT, LA. REV. STAT. 29:721, *ET SEQ.*, AS TO CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19).

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act, La. Rev. Stat. 29:721, *et seq.*, confers upon the Governor of the State of Louisiana and parish presidents emergency powers to prepare and cope with emergencies and disasters, including those caused by fire, flood, earthquake or other natural or manmade causes, in order to ensure that preparations will be adequate to cope with such emergencies or disasters and to preserve the lives and property of the people of the State of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, when the Parish President determines that a disaster or emergency has occurred, or the threat thereof is imminent, La. Rev. Stat. 29:727 empowers him to declare a state of emergency by executive order or proclamation; and

WHEREAS, La. Rev. Stat. 29:727(F) authorizes the Parish President to, among other things, suspend the provision of any regulatory ordinance prescribing the procedures for conduct of local business, or the orders, rules, or regulations of any local agency, if strict compliance with the provisions of any ordinance, order, rule, or regulation would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the emergency; and

WHEREAS, La. Rev. Stat. 29:727(F) further authorizes the Parish President to, among other things, control ingress and egress to and from the affected area, the movement of persons within the area, and the occupancy of premises therein; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, Governor John Bel Edwards issued Proclamation No. 25 JBE 2020, which declared a public health emergency to exist in the State of Louisiana as a result of the imminent threat posed to Louisiana citizens by Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), and the Parish President, Michael B. Cooper, on March 13, 2020, declared a parish-wide state of emergency due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, Governor John Bel Edwards issued Proclamation No. 30 JBE 2020, which, among other things, ordered that all public gatherings of 50 or more persons be postponed or cancelled during the period from March 17, 2020 until April 13, 2020, due to the imminent threat posed to Louisiana citizens by COVID-19, closed certain business establishments, and limited access to restaurants and other dining establishments; and

WHEREAS, on March 22, 2020, Governor John Bel Edwards issued Proclamation No. 33 JBE 2020, which, among other things, ordered a statewide stay-at-home directive, limited all gatherings to 10 persons or less, and closed or reduced operations for certain businesses, all due to the imminent threat posed to Louisiana citizens by COVID-19, and, the Parish President, Michael B. Cooper, on March 23, 2020, issued an Executive Order which, among other things, ordered a parish-wide stay-at-home directive and limited all gatherings to 10 persons or less; and



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WHEREAS, on April 2, 2020, Governor John Bel Edwards issued Proclamation No. 41 JBE 2020, which, among other things, extended the statewide stay-at-home directive, limitations of all gatherings to 10 persons or less, and closed or reduced operations for certain businesses, until April 30, 2020, or as extended by subsequent order, and the Parish President, Michael B. Cooper, on April 7, 2020, issued an Executive Order which, among other things, extended the parish-wide stay-at-home directive until April 30, 2020 and implemented additional safety measures; and

WHEREAS, on April 30, 2020, Governor John Bel Edwards issued Proclamation No. 52 JBE 2020, extending the statewide stay-at-home directive until May 15, 2020, or as extended by subsequent order, and the Parish President, Michael B. Cooper, on April 30, 2020, issued an Executive Order which, among other things, extended the parish-wide stay-at-home directive until May 15, 2020 and implemented additional safety measures; and

WHEREAS, on May 14, 2020, Governor John Bel Edwards issued Proclamation No. 58 JBE 2020, initiating Phase 1 of the State of Louisiana's recovery plan, and the Parish President, Michael B. Cooper, on May 15, 2020, issued an Executive Order which terminated the parish-wide stay-at-home directive and initiated Phase I of the Parish's recovery plan; and

WHEREAS, on June 4, 2020, Governor John Bel Edwards issued Proclamation No. 74 JBE 2020, initiating Phase 2 of the State of Louisiana's recovery plan, and the Parish President, Michael B. Cooper, on June 5, 2020, issued an Executive Order which initiated Phase II of the Parish's recovery plan; and

WHEREAS, on June 25, 2020, Governor John Bel Edwards issued Proclamation No. 83 JBE 2020, extending Phase 2 of the State of Louisiana's recovery plan for twenty-eight (28) days, until July 24, 2020, and on June 26, 2020, Parish President Michael B. Cooper issued an Executive Order which extended Phase II of the Parish's recovery plan until July 24, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on July 11, 2020, Governor John Bel Edwards issued Proclamation No. 89 JBE 2020, which imposed mandatory masks or facial coverings in public and other restrictions, and on July 13, 2020, Parish President Michael B. Cooper issued an Executive Order which mandated the wearing of facial coverings in public and imposed other restrictions; and

WHEREAS, on July 23, 2020, Governor John Bel Edwards issued Proclamation No. 96 JBE 2020, extending Phase 2 of the State of Louisiana's recovery plan and the additional restrictions imposed by Proclamation No. 89 JBE 2020 for fourteen (14) days, until August 7, 2020, and on July 24, 2020, Parish President Michael B. Cooper issued an Executive Order which extended Phase II of the Parish's recovery plan until August 7, 2020 and imposed other restrictions; and

WHEREAS, on August 6, 2020, Governor John Bel Edwards issued Proclamation No. 101 JBE 2020, extending Phase 2 of the State of Louisiana's recovery plan and the additional restrictions for twenty-one (21) days, until August 28, 2020, and on August 7, 2020, Parish President Michael B. Cooper issued an Executive Order which extended Phase II of the Parish's recovery plan and additional restrictions until August 28, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on August 26, 2020, Governor John Bel Edwards issued Proclamation No. 110 JBE 2020, extending Phase 2 of the State of Louisiana's recovery plan and the additional restrictions until September 11, 2020, and on August 28, 2020, Parish President Michael B. Cooper



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issued an Executive Order which extended Phase II of the Parish's recovery plan and additional restrictions until September 11, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2020, Governor John Bel Edwards issued Proclamation No. 117 JBE 2020, initiating Phase 3 of the State of Louisiana's recovery plan for twenty-eight (28) days, until October 9, 2020, and on September 14, 2020, Parish President Michael B. Cooper issued an Executive Order which initiated Phase III of the Parish's recovery plan until October 9, 2020;

WHEREAS, Proclamation No. 117 JBE 2020 provided certain conditions that parishes must meet prior to reopening of bars in their jurisdictions;

WHEREAS, the Parish has met the conditions imposed by Proclamation No. 117 JBE 2020, and the State Office of Alcohol and Tobacco Control has approved the Parish's request to reopen bars within the Parish;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend Phase III of the Parish's recovery plan to allow for the reopening of bars pursuant to the limitations imposed by Proclamation Nos. 117 JBE 2020 and 123 JBE 2020.

IT IS ORDERED that, pursuant to the authority vested in him through the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act, La. Rev. Stat. 29:721, *et seq.*, specifically La. Rev. Stat. 29:727(F), Michael B. Cooper, as Parish President, hereby amends his Executive Order of September 14, 2020 in order to allow for the reopening of bars pursuant to the limitations imposed by Proclamation No. 117 JBE 2020, and Proclamation No. 123 JBE 2020, as well as the limitations for the service of alcoholic beverages imposed by his Executive Order of September 21, 2020;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the remainder of the September 14, 2020 Executive Order shall continue to be in effect as written;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Executive Order shall remain in effect until October 9, 2020 or until terminated by subsequent Executive Proclamation or Order; and

At Mandeville, Louisiana, this 17th day of October 2020 at 12:45 p.m.

Michael B. Cooper
Parish President

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and
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and
510 E. Boston Street, Covington, La.
and
701 N. Columbia Street, Covington, La
and
520 Old Spanish Trail, Slidell, La

Sworn and subscribed before me,

(Notary Public)

On this 17th day of Oct., 2020.

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