Date: March 31, 2020

Ordinance No.____03312001__________

Joint Camden County Commission Ordinance and
Camden County Health Department Order
March 31, 2020

On March 13, 2020 President Trump declared a National Emergency and Missouri’s Governor Parson also declared a State of Emergency to attempt to prevent a substantial risk to public health and safety due to the pandemic of the COVID-19 virus.

On March 21, 2020 Governor Parson directed Dr Randall Williams, Director of Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services to enact a Statewide Social Distancing Policy which was effective until April 6, 2020 unless extended, which reads:

1. In accordance with the guidelines from the President and the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, every person in the State of Missouri shall avoid social gatherings of more than ten (10) people. For purposes of this Order, “social gatherings” shall mean any planned or spontaneous event or convening that would bring together more than ten (10) people in a single space at the same time.

2. In accordance with the guidelines from the President and the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, every person in the State of Missouri shall avoid eating or drinking at restaurants, bars, or food courts; provided, however, that the use of drive-thru, pickup, or delivery options is allowed throughout the duration of this Order.

3. In accordance with the guidelines from the President and the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, people shall not visit nursing homes, long-term care facilities, retirement homes, or assisted living homes unless to provide critical assistance.

4. In accordance with the guidelines from the President and the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention, schools shall remain closed. This Order does not prohibit schools from providing child care and Food and Nutritional Services for those children that qualify. Teachers and staff may enter the building as long as they follow the directives set forth in this Order.

This Order does not prohibit people from visiting a variety of places, including grocery stores, gas stations, parks, and banks, so long as necessary precautions are taken and maintained to reduce the transmission of COVID-19, including maintaining at least six feet (6’) of distance between all individuals that are not family members.

For offices and workplaces that remain open, individuals shall practice good hygiene and, where feasible, work from home in order to achieve optimum isolation from COVID-19. The more that people reduce their public contact, the sooner COVID-19 will be contained and the sooner this Order will expire.

On March 30, 2020 President Trump announced previous efforts of slow the spread of the COVID-19 virus would be extended until April 30, 2020.
Therefore, in order to continue to protect the citizens of Camden County as there is evidence of continued community spread of COVID-19, under authority of 19 CSR 20-20.040 and 19 CSR 20-20.050 I, Tonda Dampier, Administrator of Camden County Health Department acting as the Local Health Authority declare the following in agreement with Camden County Commission.

1. All public and private gatherings, planned or spontaneous; recreational facilities, conference, event and banquet facilities, wedding venues, gyms, social clubs, funerals, churches or any other place of public or private gathering, shall limit participants to 10 people provided they can maintain the appropriate 6ft distance between participants. This is meant to include employees and clergy in the count of 10 people.

2. There will be no dining or drinking allowed inside Food or Beverage establishments or their patios, lawns, or boat docks. Use of curb-side service, pick up, or drive thru service is allowed however water-front establishments are to limit numbers of people using their docks while ordering to 10 or less. Boats are to leave the dock area as soon as order is received.

3. Due to being unable to maintain the 6ft social distancing order between the provider and the customer; nail salons, hair salons, tattoo parlors, massage therapists, estheticians, spas or any other personal service provider will cease to provide their services.

4. Schools shall remain closed, but allowed to continue to provide nutrition services to the families they serve.

5. Any additional directives from President Trump, Governor Parson or Director Williams will be incorporated into this order.

6. These directives do not apply to Essential Governmental Proceedings, DayCare facilities, Food Stores, however, Social Distancing practices and thorough cleaning and disinfection practices are to be maintained at all times.

Food and Beverage facilities found to be non-compliant may be subject to suspension of their operating permit due to creating an imminent health hazard.

This order shall be effective immediately upon my execution whereof, and will remain in effect until at least April 30, 2020 but will be extended based on instructions from President Trump or Governor Parson. This shall expire only upon further order.

SO ORDERED this thirty-first day of March, 2020

Camden County Missouri

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Tonda Dampier
Administrator
Camden County Health Department