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County Executive

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

EXECUTIVE ORDER

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MAY 26, 2021 CONTINUED DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

WHEREAS, Section 14-111 of the Public Safety Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland provides for the declaration of a Local State of Emergency; and

WHEREAS, Subtitle 6 of the Prince George's County Code, including but necessarily limited to Division 5 of this Subtitle, provides for the declaration of a Local State of Emergency by the County Executive and the authority to issue rules and regulations as deemed necessary to control the situation; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States proclaimed that the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States constituted a national emergency beginning March 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2020, the Governor of the State of Maryland declared a state of emergency and a catastrophic health emergency for the State of Maryland to control and prevent the spread of COVID-19 and these emergency declarations continue; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization, on March 11, 2020, announced that the COVID-19 outbreak can be characterized as a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Prince George's County, Maryland previously issued the following emergency declarations: Executive Order Number 6-2020 dated March 16, 2020; Executive Order Number 7-2020 dated April 13, 2020; CR-31-2020 adopted May 11, 2020; Executive Order Number 8-2020 dated May 14, 2020; Executive Order Number 10-2020 dated May 28, 2020; CR-51-2020 adopted June 9, 2020; Executive Order Number 13-2020 dated June 12, 2020; Executive Order Number 15-2020 dated June 25, 2020 and CR-64-2020 adopted July 7, 2020; Executive Order Number 20-2020 dated September 3, 2020; CR-90-101 adopted September 15, 2020; CR-101-2020 adopted October 13, 2020; CR-125-2020 adopted November 17, 2020; and Executive Order 27-2020 dated December 15, 2020; CR-02-2021 adopted January 12, 2021; Executive Order 3-2021 dated January 26, 2021; CR-13-2021 adopted February 16, 2021; Executive Order 8-2021 adopted March 11, 2021; CR-33-2021 adopted March 30, 2021; CR-48-2021 adopted May 11, 2021; Executive Order 11-2021 adopted May 14, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Prince George's County, Maryland has been and continues to be severely impacted by the COVID-19 outbreak; and

WHEREAS, as of May 24, 2021, the number of COVID-19 positive cases in the County is 84,836 cases, with approximately 8647 hospitalizations and approximately 1467 deaths; and

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WHEREAS, based upon data analysis published May 25, 2021, the County's infection rate is .79, its positivity rate is 2.1%, the average daily case rate is 4.8 per 100,000 residents and the number of inpatients with COVID-19 in County hospitals accounts for approximately 5% of total hospital capacity; and

WHEREAS, the metrics have continued to decline; and

WHEREAS, as of May 24, 2021, approximately 703,755 vaccines have been given to County residents, which amounts to 424,792 residents receiving at least one dose of the vaccine and 325,052 have completed the vaccine series; and

WHEREAS, the County's health care system continues to need resources to effectively combat this emergency; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 continues to pose an imminent threat to the health, safety and welfare of County residents; and

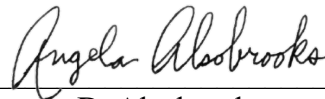
WHEREAS, although there is improvement in several relevant metrics, it is still necessary that the County remain vigilant and cautious with its re-opening planning:

WHEREAS, CR-48-2021 authorizes the County Executive to amend the County's emergency declaration; now, therefore

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, on this 26th day of May, 2021, that I, Angela D. Alsobrooks, County Executive for Prince George's County, Maryland, hereby proclaim that a Local State of Emergency continues to exist in Prince George's County, Maryland. It is necessary and reasonable to save lives and to protect the public safety and welfare of all Prince Georgians during this pandemic, by controlling and preventing the further spread of COVID- 19, to issue the following orders which shall take effect May 28, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.:

- I. Prince George's County, Maryland will follow the directives of the Orders of the Governor of the State of Maryland as it relates to rules pertaining to face coverings and business operating rules for all businesses and establishments located in the County. The most recent orders are located at [Maryland Governor Orders and Guidance](#).
- II. Unvaccinated residents are **STRONGLY** encouraged to get vaccinated and continue wearing their masks outdoors until they are fully vaccinated. "Fully vaccinated" means the individual has received all required dosages as applicable to the vaccine received, including two weeks post the date of the last dose.
- III. Restrictions will be reinstated if the relevant metrics show measurable increase in the spread of the COVID virus and that more restrictive measures are needed to save lives and to protect the public safety and welfare.
- IV. The directives set forth herein will be enforced by the Prince George's County Health Department, with the assistance of Prince George's County law enforcement and other appropriate County employees as determined by the Chief Administrative Officer, as needed.

- V. The County will conduct scheduled and unscheduled inspections to check for compliance with this Order. Non-compliance with this Order may subject the owner and/or operator to a civil fine not exceeding \$1,000 pursuant to the Prince George's County Code, or other penalty as authorized by State law or regulation, and may subject the establishments to closure pursuant to the legal authority of the Health Officer or other legal authority.
- VI. The Executive Branch will continue to provide weekly updates to the Council Chair or Vice Chair.
- VII. This Emergency Order supersedes CR-48-2021 and Executive Order 11-2021.
- VIII. This Executive Order shall remain in effect through May 28, 2021 at 5:00 p.m., unless amended or terminated earlier.
- IX. If any provision of this Executive Order or its application to any person, entity, or circumstance is held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, all other provisions or applications of the Order shall remain in effect to the extent possible without the invalid provision or application. To achieve this purpose, the provisions of this Executive Order are severable.



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