

*City of*  
**SHELBYVILLE**  
*Tennessee*

**PROCLAMATION BY THE CITY MAYOR AND CITY MANAGER RENEWING THE  
STATE OF EMERGENCY WITHIN THE CITY OF SHELBYVILLE, TENNESSEE IN ORDER  
TO CONTAIN THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19) OUTBREAK**

Executive Order No. 2020-25

September 3, 2020

**WHEREAS**, the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (“COVID-19”) is a respiratory disease caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus (the “virus”) that can result in mild or severe symptoms, including fever, cough, and shortness of breath, and can lead to serious illness or death, particularly in the case of older adults and persons with serious chronic medical conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, since late 2019, a significant outbreak of COVID-19 occurred that has spread globally to 216 countries, areas, and territories, deemed a pandemic by the World Health Organization (the “WHO”), which has significantly impacted the health and livelihoods of the citizens of the City of Shelbyville; and

**WHEREAS**, broad-ranging and unprecedented measures have been taken at the local, state, and federal government levels to stem the rate of transmission of COVID-19, including the declaration of a national state of emergency by United States President Donald J. Trump on March 13, 2020, and the declaration of a state of emergency in the State of Tennessee by Governor Bill Lee on March 12, 2020;

**WHEREAS**, in response to the identification and spread of COVID-19 in Tennessee, Governor Lee issued numerous Executive Orders from March through July, 2020, that impacted commercial, employment, social, recreational, entertainment, and sports activities and suspended or modified various State laws, rules and regulations to facilitate the treatment and containment of COVID-19, minimize unnecessary person-to-person contact, maintain adequate health care system capacity and supplies, and other measures; and

**WHEREAS**, beginning in August, Tennessee’s public and private educational facilities have reopened throughout the State for the 2020-2021 school year after closing in-person classes in March, and in-person court proceedings have resumed with safety protocols mandated by Orders of the Tennessee Supreme Court; and

**WHEREAS**, going into September, 2020, the United States continues to experience the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, including the profound disruptions and challenges presented to commerce, employment, healthcare services, governmental services, and the operations of other entities and organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (the “CDC”) and other leading medical experts continue to encourage social distancing, effective personal hygiene practices, and other measures to contain and slow the spread of the virus, which the City of Shelbyville continues to follow; and

**WHEREAS**, because of the on-going pandemic and the country's attempts to mitigate it, on August 28, 2020, Governor Lee extended the state of emergency in Tennessee until September 30, 2020 through the issuance of Tennessee Executive Order No. 59; and

**WHEREAS**, Governor Lee also issued Tennessee Executive Orders 60 and 61 on August 28, 2020, extending the provisions authorizing local governments to continue to hold public meetings electronically and for remote notarization; and

**WHEREAS**, as of September 2, 2020 according to WHO, there have been 25,842,652 confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 resulting in 858,629 deaths world-wide; and

**WHEREAS**, as of September 2, 2020, according to CDC, there have been 6,087,403 confirmed or presumptively confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 in the United States, across all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and US Virgin Islands, resulting in 185,092 deaths; and

**WHEREAS**, as of September 2, 2020, according to the Tennessee Department of Health, there have been 157,831 confirmed or presumptively confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 in the State of Tennessee, resulting in 1,797 deaths and 7,061 hospitalizations; and

**WHEREAS**, as of September 2, 2020, according to the Tennessee Department of Health, Bedford County, Tennessee had a total of 1,137 confirmed positive cases of COVID-19, out of which 870 persons have recovered and 14 persons have unfortunately died, for an active case count of 253 people currently with a confirmed positive diagnosis of COVID-19, an increase from last week's active case count; and

**WHEREAS**, as of September 2, 2020, the total number of confirmed cases in Bedford County is still significantly higher than the number of confirmed cases in surrounding rural counties of similar population size, including the adjacent counties of Lincoln, Marshall, Metropolitan Moore, and Coffee Counties; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the continuing necessity of various pandemic response measures implemented at the national, state, and local levels and the Governor's extension of the State of Emergency for Tennessee through September 30, 2020, it is advisable and prudent to continue local measures to contain the virus within our community especially in light of the re-opening of the country for business, including certain City governmental offices and services in accordance with State mandates; and

**WHEREAS**, safeguarding the life and property of its citizens is an innate responsibility of the City of Shelbyville, the Mayor and City Council, its officers and employees, and State law bestows police powers upon the City and authorizes it to act and to regulate in the interests of public health and welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the "*Mutual Aid and Emergency and Disaster Assistance Agreement Act of 2004*" (the "*Act*") found in *Tennessee Code Annotated* ("*TCA*") § 58-8-101 *et. seq.*, the Mayor of the City of Shelbyville authorized by § 58-8-104 to declare a local state of emergency (as defined in § 58-2-101(7) and § 58-8-102(5)) by executive order consistent with and governed by § 58-2-110(3)(A)(v); and

**WHEREAS**, *TCA* § 58-2-110(3)(A)(v) authorizes the City, upon the declaration of a state of emergency by the Mayor, to waive certain procedures and formalities otherwise required of the City by law; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the *Act*, with the declaration of a state of emergency the City may be entitled to cost reimbursement as provided in *TCA* § 58-8-111; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to TCA § 38-9-102 the City Manager of the City of Shelbyville is authorized to declare a local state of civil emergency as defined in TCA § 38-9-101(2)(B), and for which she may declare a curfew for the City of Shelbyville if deemed necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 20, 2020, through a proclamation issued under City of Shelbyville, Tennessee Executive Order No. 2020-01, Mayor Wallace Cartwright and City Manager Shanna Boyette declared a local state of emergency in the City of Shelbyville, encompassing both emergency and civil emergency under the purview of the respective TCA Titles 38 and 58, due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, since that time, the local state of emergency/civil emergency has been renewed by subsequent proclamations of Mayor Wallace Cartwright and City Manager Shanna Boyette, pursuant to City of Shelbyville, Tennessee Executive Orders No. 2020-02 through 2020-24; and

**WHEREAS**, the undersigned Mayor and City Manager of the City of Shelbyville have made such observations and investigations necessary, including communications with the Governor's Office, the Bedford County Emergency Management Agency, and the Bedford County Health Department, to determine in their judgment that the state of emergency continues to exist within the City of Shelbyville that has resulted or may result in substantial injury or harm to the population, or substantial damage to or loss of property; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary and proper for the Mayor and City Manager to exercise their authority to renew a state of emergency as granted by State law to preserve and increase the containment of COVID-19 and to minimize the immediate and significant danger to the health, safety and welfare of the citizens, residents, visitors, and employees of the City of Shelbyville.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF SHELBYVILLE, TENNESSEE, BY VIRTUE OF THE POWER AND AUTHORITY VESTED IN THEM, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** The local State of Emergency first declared in Executive Order No. 2020-01 on March 20, 2020 for the City of Shelbyville, which has previously been extended through September 4, 2020 by subsequent Executive Orders, is hereby renewed for an additional seven (7) days within the jurisdiction of the City of Shelbyville in accordance with TCA § 58-2-110.

**Section 2.** The provisions of all of the previously issued City of Shelbyville Executive Orders, Nos. 2020-01 through 2020-24, shall remain in full effect unless otherwise amended, modified, or rescinded here within, or by subsequent executive order, and all orders, provisions, and directives included in this Proclamation shall continue through the duration of the State of Emergency, or any additional extension thereof, until amended, modified or rescinded by executive order.

**Section 3.** All citizens, businesses, and organizations of the City of Shelbyville are strongly urged to continue to comply with Governor Bill Lee's Executive Orders and other State and federal guidance to contain the spread of COVID-19, including adhering to business re-opening guidelines in Tennessee Pledge, health and safety protocols including washing hands and the wearing of face coverings in public where appropriate, and the practice of social distancing measures.

**Section 4.** This Proclamation shall be promptly distributed to all members of the City of Shelbyville City Council, all City Department Directors, the Mayor of Bedford County, and shall be distributed to local media outlets.

**Section 5.** This Proclamation shall be promptly filed with the City of Shelbyville City Recorder, Lisa Smith.

**Section 6.** If any provision, sentence, clause, or word of this Proclamation, or any application of it to any individual, group, organization, or business, regardless of legal entity status, or to any circumstance, is held to be illegal, otherwise invalid, or incapable of being enforced by a court of competent jurisdiction, then such provision, sentence, clause, or word shall be excluded to the extent of such illegality, invalidity or unenforceability; all other terms hereof shall remain in full force and effect; and, to the extent permitted and possible, the invalid or unenforceable provision, sentence, clause, or word shall be deemed replaced by another provision, sentence, clause, or word that is valid and enforceable and that comes closest to expressing the intention of such illegal, invalid or unenforceable provision, sentence, clause, or word.


**Section 7.** In accordance with TCA § 58-2-110 the State of Emergency is valid and effective as of Friday, September 4, 2020 at 12:01 AM Central Daylight Savings Time ("CDT") and shall continue in full force and effect, if the state of emergency for Tennessee is extended by the Governor, until Friday, September 11, 2020 at 12:01 AM CDT, unless earlier rescinded, and may be incrementally extended for additional seven-day periods as deemed necessary.

**ISSUED** on this the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2020 in Shelbyville, Bedford County, Tennessee.

**THE CITY OF SHELBYVILLE MAYOR**

  
Wallace Cartwright


**THE CITY OF SHELBYVILLE CITY MANAGER**

  
Shanna Boyette *By Lisa Smith with permission*

**ATTEST:**

  
Lisa Smith  
Shelbyville City Recorder

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
Ginger Shofner *By Lisa Smith with permission*  
Shelbyville City Attorney

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