A Resolution of the Haines Borough Assembly Requiring that People Traveling into the Haines Borough Quarantine Related to COVID-19.

WHEREAS, to prevent the spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) by controlling the ingress to Alaska from outside localities, on March 23, 2020 the State of Alaska, based on its authority under the Public Health Disaster Emergency Declaration, issued Health Mandate 10.1 ordering quarantine of all people arriving in Alaska with exception for certain health and critical infrastructure industries, effective 12:01 am March 25, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, the Haines Borough Mayor issued a Declaration of Emergency for the Haines Borough to alert the public to the seriousness of the risk, and provide direction to sources of information and other available public health resources, while the Haines Borough works in cooperation with other local and state agencies through the EOC to implement actions and responses to address the probable COVID-19 outbreak; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the Haines Borough Assembly as the governmental entity of a Home Rule Borough, declared a local emergency in response to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, as of March 23, 2020, the State of Alaska had 36 confirmed cases of COVID-19; neighboring municipality of the City and Borough of Juneau had one confirmed COVID-19 case and the neighboring City of Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, Canada, had two confirmed COVID-19 cases; and

WHEREAS, the Haines Borough is linked to the City and Borough of Juneau by daily commercial air traffic and regular ferry service; and

WHEREAS, this resolution is akin to an emergency declaration and is reasonable and necessary under the circumstances to protect the health, welfare, and safety of all borough residents including our vulnerable elder population; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that,

In addition to Health Mandate 10.1, the Haines Borough Assembly requires any person entering the Haines Borough from outside borough boundaries by marine vessel, motor vehicle or airplane is required to self-quarantine for 14 days upon arrival except as provided below:

(A) Public Health Workers. People performing essential public health duties shall quarantine except as necessary to protect the health and safety of others.

(B) Critical Business or Entities. People that are engaged in critical business, industry or economic sectors as described in Appendix A: Haines Borough Critical Business, Industry or Economic Sectors may be exempted by the Borough Manager upon the submission and approval of
a written plan of Protection describing protocols and policies that will be undertaken to ensure that the entrance of persons will not endanger the health and safety of residents or compromise the health of the community. This Plan of Protection must be submitted at least 24 hours prior to the entrance of the employees in the Haines Borough. Exempted entities and their employees are still required to comply with all State health mandates.

If a business or entity is not listed in Appendix A, and the business owner or authorized agent believes that the business or entity is critical or it is an entity providing critical services or functions, the business may request a determination from the Manager, or designee.

**Effective Date and Duration**: This requirement shall go into effect March 25, 2020 at 12:01 am and will be reevaluated on April 28, 2020.

Adopted by a duly-constituted quorum of the Haines Borough Assembly on this 24th day of March, 2020.

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Attest:        Janice Hill, Mayor

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Alekka Fullerton, CMC, Borough Clerk
Appendix A.

**Haines Borough Critical Business, Industry or Economic Sectors**

Functioning critical infrastructure is imperative during the response to the COVID-19 emergency for both public health and safety as well as community well-being. Certain critical infrastructure industries have a special responsibility in these times to continue operations. At this time, critical industries and entities in Haines include:

a. "Healthcare Operations" including the clinic, dental emergency services, pharmacies, other healthcare facilities, home healthcare services providers, mental health providers, consumer health products, or any related and/or ancillary healthcare services. “Healthcare Operations” includes veterinary care. “Healthcare Operations” does not include fitness and exercise gyms and yoga.

b. Businesses providing any services or performing any work necessary to the operations and maintenance of “Essential Infrastructure,” including, but not limited to, Ports and Harbors, public works construction, construction of housing, airport operations, water, sewer, gas, electrical, mining, logging, roads and highways, public transportation, solid waste collection and removal, internet, and telecommunications systems (including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and web-based services).

c. Financial services sector, banks and insurance companies.

d. First responders, emergency management personnel, emergency dispatchers, court personnel, and law enforcement personnel.

e. Individuals providing “Essential Governmental Functions”. “Essential Government Functions” means all services needed to ensure the continuing operation of government agencies and provide for the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

f. Grocery stores, supermarkets, food banks, convenience stores, and other establishments engaged in the retail sale of household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products).

g. Food and agriculture, cultivation, including farming, livestock, and fishing;

h. Businesses that provide social services and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals;

i. Newspapers, television, radio, and other media services;

j. Gas stations and auto-supply, auto-repair, bicycle-repair, and related facilities;

k. Hardware stores; Plumbers, electricians, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and
essential operation of residences and critical business facilities;
l. Businesses providing mailing and shipping services, including post office boxes;
m. Educational institutions facilitating distance learning;
n. Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers;
o. Restaurants, breweries, distilleries and other facilities that prepare and serve food, but only for delivery or carry out under the restrictions set forth in COVID-19 Health Mandate 003;
p. Businesses that supply products needed for people to work from home;
q. Businesses that supply other essential businesses with the support or supplies necessary to operate;
r. Businesses that transport wholesale goods to retail stores, delivery of fuel, or other services directly to residences or other critical industries outlined in this health mandate.
s. Airlines, marine vessels, taxis, and other private transportation business providing transportation services;
t. Residential facilities and shelters for seniors, adults, and children;
u. Professional services, such as legal or accounting services, when necessary to assist in compliance with legally-mandated activities;
v. Childcare facilities, subject to new recommendations for increased hygiene and social distancing. Childcare facilities should be used only by those who need childcare to work at a critical job.