

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

**PROCLAMATION BY THE MAYOR AND CITY MANAGER RENEWING THE  
COVID-19 STATE OF EMERGENCY WITHIN THE CITY OF SHELBYVILLE, TENNESSEE**

**City Executive Order No. 2021-08  
February 25, 2021**

**WHEREAS**, since late 2019, a significant global outbreak of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (“COVID-19”), a respiratory disease caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus, has occurred causing profound disruptions to institutions, government, and commerce, as broad-ranging and unprecedented measures have been taken at the local, state, and federal government levels to stem the rate of transmission, including governmental declarations of continuing states of emergency beginning in March of 2020, all of which have significantly impacted the health and livelihoods of the citizens of the City of Shelbyville; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the “*Mutual Aid and Emergency and Disaster Assistance Agreement Act of 2004*” (the “*Act*”), City Mayor Wallace Cartwright is authorized to declare a local state of emergency by Executive Order and with the declaration of a state of emergency the City may be entitled to cost reimbursement and to waive certain procedures and formalities otherwise required of the City by law; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to *Tennessee Code Annotated (TCA) § 38-9-102* City Manager Joshua W. Ray, who took office on January 19, 2021, is authorized to declare a local state of civil emergency, for which he may declare a curfew for the City of Shelbyville if deemed necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 20, 2020, pursuant to City Executive Order No. 2020-01, a local state of emergency was declared in the City encompassing both emergency and civil emergency under the purview of the respective *TCA* Titles 38 and 58, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, by Mayor Cartwright and then City Manager Shanna Boyette, and since that time, these local states of emergency/civil emergency have been renewed by subsequent proclamations, City Executive Orders No. 2020-02 through 2020-42 and 2021-01 through 2021-07, being issued by Mayor Cartwright, Ms. Boyette, Interim City Manager Lori Saddler, and as of January 21, 2021, City Manager Ray; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 22, 2020, Governor Lee issued Executive Orders No. 71, 72, and 73 which extended the Tennessee state of emergency and the period during which numerous previously issued preventive measures may be taken until 11:59 PM, Central Standard Time (“CST”), on February 27, 2021, such measures including the holding of governmental public meetings by electronic means, remote notarization and the witnessing of documents; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 19, 2021, Tennessee Governor Bill Lee issued Tennessee Executive Order No. 74 extending the continuing state of emergency and the period during which other previously issued preventive measures may be taken in Tennessee until 11:59 PM, CST, on February 27, 2021, including ordering limitations on public social gatherings, to facilitate the response to COVID-19 pandemic; and

*WHEREAS*, Governor Lee’s Office advised local government officials early this week that he will extend the state of emergency in Tennessee prior to the expiration date of February 27, 2021; and

*WHEREAS*, as of February 24, 2021, according to the Tennessee Department of Health, Bedford County, Tennessee, has had a total of 5,756 confirmed and probable positive cases of COVID-19, of which 117 persons have unfortunately died, with an active case count of 53 people currently with a confirmed positive diagnosis of COVID-19; and

*WHEREAS*, the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“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 government continues to follow; and

*WHEREAS*, safeguarding the life and property of its citizens is an innate responsibility of the City government, and as 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 due to the continuing necessity of various pandemic response measures implemented at the national, state, and local levels, it is advisable and prudent to continue local measures to contain the virus within our community; and

*WHEREAS*, the undersigned Mayor and City Manager have made such observations and investigations necessary to determine in their judgment that the state of emergency continues to exist within the City of Shelbyville and that it is necessary and proper for them to exercise their authority to renew a state of emergency as granted by State law.

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

**Section 1.** The City’s local State of Emergency first declared in Executive Order No. 2020-01 on March 20, 2020, which has been extended through February 26, 2021, by subsequent Executive Orders, is hereby renewed for an additional seven (7) days in accordance with TCA § 58-2-110.

**Section 2.** The provisions of all previous City Executive Orders Nos. 2020-01 through 2020-42 and 2021-01 through 2021-07 and those in this Proclamation, shall remain in full effect and continue through the duration of the COVID-19 State of Emergency, or extension thereof, unless amended or rescinded here within, or by subsequent Executive Order.

**Section 3.** All City residents are strongly urged to comply with Governor Lee’s Executive Orders and other State and federal guidance to contain the spread of COVID-19, including adhering to business reopening guidelines in Tennessee Pledge, health and safety protocols such as washing hands and wearing face coverings in public where appropriate, and the practice of social distancing measures and honoring the Governor’s limitations on public social gatherings.

**Section 4.** This Proclamation shall be promptly filed with the City Recorder in accordance with TCA § 38-9-102 and distributed to all members of the City Council, all City Department Directors, the Bedford County Mayor, and shall be distributed to local media outlets.

**Section 5.** 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.

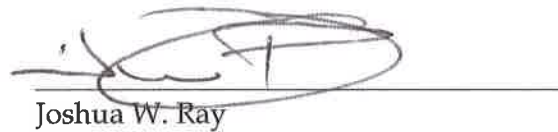
**Section 6.** In accordance with TCA § 58-2-110 the State of Emergency is valid and effective as of Friday, February 26, 2021, at 12:01 AM, CST, and shall continue in full force and effect through Friday, March 5, 2021, at 12:00AM, CST, unless earlier rescinded, and may be incrementally extended for additional seven-day periods as deemed necessary.

**ISSUED** on this the 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2021, in Shelbyville, Bedford County, Tennessee.

**CITY OF SHELBYVILLE MAYOR**


**CITY OF SHELBYVILLE MANAGER**

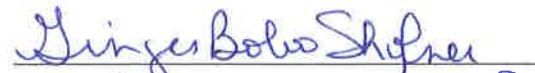
  
Wallace Cartwright

  
Joshua W. Ray

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

  
Lisa Smith  
Shelbyville City Recorder

  
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Shelbyville City Attorney *By Permission*  
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