

BY ORDER OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE 20-06

WHEREAS, it is essential to the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic so that businesses and services on the front lines, as well as the businesses and supply chains that support them, can function and produce necessary services; and

WHEREAS, government must not hinder the delivery of those essential services nor the ability of the market place to pivot and provide essential goods and services; and

WHEREAS, the intent of the following Executive Order is to ensure that the maximum number of people stay at home to slow the spread of COVID-19, and all provisions of this Emergency Order shall be interpreted to effectuate that intent while recognizing that citizens must conduct business to obtain essential services or to work; and

WHEREAS, in that some individuals engaged in work or attending to needs at businesses essential to that individual's situation and needs are not observing "social distancing" as set forth by St. Charles County in previous executive orders, and

WHEREAS, our economy is better protected when the public health impacts of pandemic are minimized while simultaneously protecting the businesses that citizens require for services, health, nutrition and employment; and

WHEREAS, the functioning of the health care system is dependent upon slowing the rate of transmission of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, St. Charles County has issued executive orders in the last week designed to stop the spread of the COVID-19 virus ordering citizens to avoid crowds and practice social distancing to protect their health, assuring they will be able to continue working to provide for their families and support the supply chain of essential products and services; and

WHEREAS, though more people are being tested each day, the lack of testing kits means that we still do not know the extent to which the increase in known cases is due to better testing as opposed to the spread of the virus, and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County and the City of St. Louis have issued "Shelter In Place" orders which are effective March 23, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, STEVE EHLMANN, COUNTY EXECUTIVE OF ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MISSOURI, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the Laws of the State of Missouri, and the Charter and Ordinances of the County of St. Charles, do hereby amend the EMERGENCY ORDERS of March 13th, 17th and 19th, as follows:

1. Every person in St. Charles County, including incorporated and unincorporated areas, shall be and shall remain within their residence or on the property surrounding their residence, except to engage in (a) activities they deem essential to their physical, mental, and spiritual well-being, or (b) employment, and in doing either shall comply with prudent social distancing and disease mitigation advice from the Centers for Disease

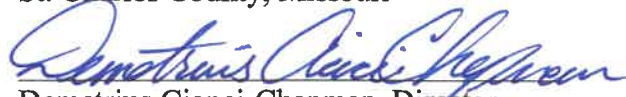
Control and Prevention, the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services and the St. Charles County Department of Public Health.

2. Local retail stores and all other places of public accommodation, as defined in Executive Emergency Order 20-03, shall communicate social distancing requirements to customers.
3. The Director of the Department of Public Health may promulgate such mandatory or advisory rules, orders, policies, and guidance as is necessary and appropriate to implement this Executive Order, the Executive Order of March 13, 2020, and the amended Executive Order dated March 17, 2020, or March 19, 2020, or any other amendments, or to define any of the terms used in either order. Mandatory rules, orders, or policies so promulgated shall have the force of law to the greatest extent permitted by federal, state, and county law upon posting on County website.
4. Unless otherwise set forth herein, this order shall be effective on March 24, 2020, at 12:01 a.m. upon my execution hereof and it shall expire only upon further order.

Signed this 23rd day of March, 2020.



Steve Ehlmann, County Executive
St. Charles County, Missouri



Demetrius Cianci-Chapman, Director
Department of Public Health
St. Charles County, Missouri

ATTEST:

Brenda Hinton, County Registrar