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CITY OF PRAIRIE CITY, IOWA EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, COVID-19 poses a serious threat to the public health and safety of the City of Prairie City, Iowa, as outlined by the Center for Disease Control (CDC); and

WHEREAS, The Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH) has now determined that community spread of COVID-19 has occurred in the State of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, Governor Kim Reynolds has recommended that all school districts within the State of Iowa close until April 30, 2020, to help mitigate the spread of COVID-19 within the State; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of the Prairie City Community School District has closed the school district until April 13, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Governor Kim Reynolds has issued a State of Public Health Disaster Emergency on March 17, 2020, effective at 12:00 p.m. until 11:59 p.m., March 31, 2020, that closes restaurants and bars with carry out or drive through options only, closure of theater, religious, recreational, leisure, sports gatherings, and senior citizen centers or any gathering of ten (10) or more people; and

WHEREAS, the City of Prairie City Emergency Operations Plan and Section 372.14(2) of the Code of Iowa grants the Mayor power to declare an emergency and govern through proclamation to protect the health and safety of the citizens of Prairie City.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Chad D. Alleger, the duly elected Mayor of the City of Prairie City, Iowa, do hereby proclaim the following:

1. That a state of emergency or public danger exists within the City of Prairie City because of the threat of the spread of the COVID-19 virus.
2. That based upon the advice of the CDC and other public health agencies, I hereby declare that the Prairie City Hall and all City Offices and City owned facilities be open with very limited access to the public upon execution of this Proclamation. All in-person meetings be canceled/postponed or conducted via phone or internet-based meeting sites. Council and Committee meetings are to be conducted via phone or internet-based meeting sites. All ballfields are closed for team use. All public restrooms remain locked/closed. The spring carnival is canceled. The library will continue to be closed for public use; however, library internet accessibility is still possible. The community building is closed. All city playgrounds to be closed.
3. That pursuant to CDC recommendation, gatherings of ten (10) or more people are strongly discouraged until further notice.
4. That this Proclamation of Emergency may be modified and/or suspended by future proclamation of the Office of the Mayor of Prairie City as future events warrant.
5. That any violation of any proclamation of the Office of the Mayor of the City of Prairie City, Iowa, shall be enforceable by the Prairie City Police Department and any violation of the same be punishable by a simple misdemeanor.

Dated this 2nd day of April, 2020.

By: Chad D. Alleger, Mayor