



**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
LOUIS ARMSTRONG**

**Proclamation Declaring a Health Emergency in Response to the COVID-19 Coronavirus**

**WHEREAS**, in December, 2019, a novel strain of the coronavirus was detected, now named COVID-19, and it has spread throughout numerous countries including the United States;

**WHEREAS**, international organizations, the federal government, state government, and local governments are all working together to contain the further spread of the disease and treat existing cases;

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization has declared a Public Health Emergency of International Concern, the United States Department of Health and Human Services, and the State of Wisconsin has declared a Public Health Emergency;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Monroe has been working to protect its residents from the spread of this disease, and to prepare for the impacts it may have on the City; and


**WHEREAS**, in order to protect the health and well-being of its residents, the City of Monroe must avail itself of all resources needed to respond to, contain or prevent the presence of COVID-19 in the City.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Louis Armstrong**, Mayor of the City of Monroe, by the authority vested in me by the laws of the State of Wisconsin, and specifically by § 323.11 and § 323.14 of the Wisconsin Statutes, and pursuant to Section 1-11-6 of the Monroe City Code, hereby:

1. Proclaim that a state of emergency exists within the City of Monroe, as defined by Section 1-11-2 of the Monroe City Code and as defined as a public health emergency by § 323.02(16) of the Wisconsin Statutes.
2. Hereby direct the Director of Emergency Management to issue all necessary proclamations as to the existence of the state of emergency and shall issue any such warnings or alerts as shall be required in the all-hazard emergency operations plan.
3. This state of emergency shall continue in effect and shall be subject to ratification, alteration, modification or repeal by the action by the City of Monroe Common Council.
4. Pursuant to Section 1-11-6(B) of the Monroe City Code, actions taken by the Mayor in good faith prior to ratification by the City of Monroe Common Council shall be binding upon the city to the extent that third parties have acted in good faith in reliance upon the Mayor's authority.

Dated this 19<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

CITY OF MONROE

  
By: Louis Armstrong, Mayor