

RESOLUTION 2021-01

CITY OF TANANA, ALASKA

PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY

A Proclamation of the City Council and a Declaration of a Disaster and a Local Emergency by the Tanana City Council Authorizing Necessary Actions to Reduce Impact and Spread of the Coronavirus known as COVID-19 Throughout the City of Tanana.

WHEREAS; The United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has identified the COVID-19 virus as a new strain of coronavirus not previously identified in humans, causing respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death and which poses a significant public health risk; and

WHEREAS; On March 11, 2020 the World Health Organization declared a pandemic related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS; On March 11, 2020, Governor Mike Dunleavy declared a Public Health Disaster Emergency in the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS; On March 13, 2020, President Donald Trump declared a National Emergency; and

WHEREAS; a proactive approach taken by individuals and communities to slow the rate of infection will reduce the negative impact on our health care system; and

WHEREAS; quarantine, particularly in the absence of any effective vaccine, is recognized as an effective and essential measure to slow the transmission and spread of infectious disease; and

WHEREAS; The United States Supreme Court has held that the “power of States to enact and enforce quarantine laws for the safety and the protection of the health of their inhabitants...is beyond question”; and

WHEREAS; AS 29.25.030, provides that a governing body may adopt an emergency ordinance at a meeting where it is first introduced and is effective on adoption provided that the ordinance receives the affirmative vote of all members present or the affirmative vote of three-fourths of the total membership of the governing body, whichever is less; and

WHEREAS; The community and City of Tanana is exceptionally vulnerable to devastation by rapidly spreading infectious disease; and

WHEREAS; On November 16, 2020, the City of Tanana is issuing a Declaration of Disaster and a Local Emergency; and

WHEREAS; With Emergency Ordinance NO. 2021-01, the Tanana City Council will find that there is probable cause to believe limiting community interaction, for a period of time, of persons arriving in the city is necessary to prevent, reduce or limit the spread of disease within the city; and

WHEREAS; Ordinance Chapter 18, Emergency Services provides that "When an infectious disease-related emergency has been declared by the city manager or city council and there is probable cause to believe limiting community interaction, for a period of time, of persons arriving in the city is necessary to prevent, reduce or limit the spread of diseases within the city, all persons arriving into the city, including critical infrastructure and response workers as determined by the city manager, shall be subject to mandatory post-travel restrictions on public activities and contact with others for both them and their household members within the community and city of Tanana; and

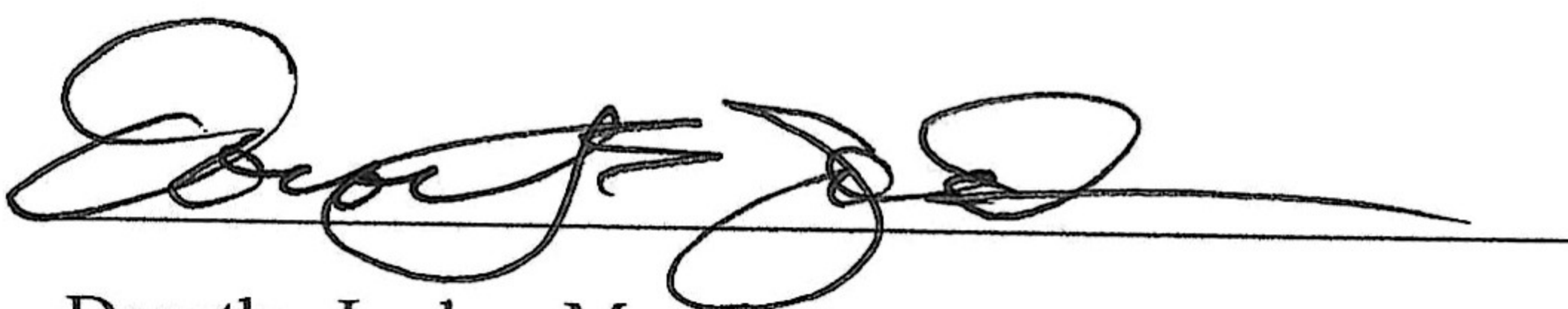
WHEREAS; The City of Tanana has been advised by a qualified medical officer that a combination of testing, restrictions on public activities and contact with others, followed by a second test is suitable to prevent the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS; The ability to perform contact tracing is necessary to inhibit the spread of COVID-19; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT AN EMERGENCY IS HEREBY DECLARED IN THE CITY OF TANANA;

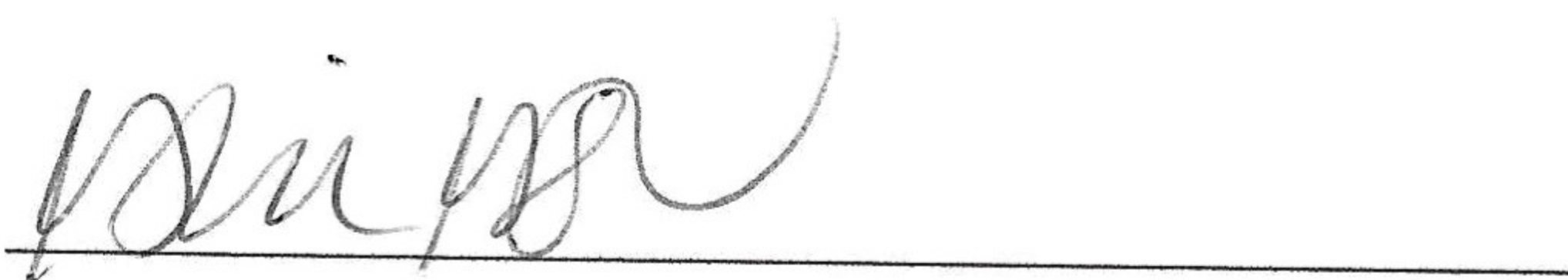
NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THIS RESOLUTION IS THE BASIS FOR EMERGENCY ORDINANCE 2021-01, PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH SAFETY IN COORDINATION WITH POLICY ADOPTED BY THE TANANA TRIBAL COUNCIL:

EFFECTIVE UNTIL the Tanana City Council acts to amend and/or extend this period of Emergency.



Dorothy Jordan, Mayor

11-16-20



Attest: City Clerk

