



Town of East Greenwich State of Rhode Island

RESOLUTION

NO. 2020-12

SECOND RENEWED DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020 the State of Rhode Island Governor Gina M. Raimondo issued Executive Order 20-02 declaring a state of emergency due to the outbreak of COVID-19 and such order was extended by Executive Order 20-18 issued on April 8, 2020 and Executive Order 20-31 issued on May 6, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 virus continues to spread and threatens to overwhelm the State's ability to respond; and

WHEREAS, aggressive and sustained efforts are necessary to slow the spread of the COVID-19 virus and to lessen the strain on our healthcare system; and

WHEREAS, the State of Rhode Island Governor Gina M. Raimondo has requested that all Rhode Island Cities and Towns declare a local state of emergency, in response to this ongoing public health crisis; and

WHEREAS, the State of Rhode Island and various public health officials have reached out to the Town of East Greenwich to take steps to contain the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Town of East Greenwich needs to take additional measure to limit the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Rhode Island General Laws §§ 30-15-12 and 30-15-13, as well as Town of East Greenwich Town Charter § C-71, permit the Town Council to declare a state of emergency for the purpose of, among other things: providing for the cooperation in epidemic prevention, preparedness, response and recover; preparing for emergency health threats that require the exercise of extraordinary governmental functions; providing the town with the ability to respond rapidly and effectively to potential or actual public health emergencies; and reducing loss of life.

NOW, THEREFORE, the East Greenwich Town Council, pursuant to the Rhode Island General Laws and the East Greenwich Town Charter, including but not limited to Title 30, Chapter 15 of the General Laws and East Greenwich Town Charter § C-71, declares a state of emergency to exist and does hereby order and direct the following:

1. Rhode Island General Laws §§ 30-15-9(e)(4) and 30-15-12(b), as well as the Town of East Greenwich Town Charter § C-71, permit the Town Manager, as authorized by the Council, to suspend the provisions of any statute, regulation, or requirement prescribing the procedures

for the conduct of town business, or the orders, rules, regulations of any town department, board, or agency, if strict compliance with the provisions of any statute, order, rule or regulation would in any way prevent, hinder or delay necessary action in coping with this emergency.

2. Rhode Island General Laws §§ 30-15-9(e)(3) and (7), and 30-15-12(b), as well as the Town of East Greenwich Town Charter § C-71, permit the Town Manager, as authorized by the Council, to transfer the direction, personnel, or functions of town departments and agencies or units thereof for the purpose of performing or facilitating emergency services; to control ingress and egress to and from high risk areas, the movement of persons within the area, and the occupancy of premises therein; and to take appropriate measures for the protection of health, safety, and welfare of the people of the city/town and to prevent or minimize the loss of life.
3. Pursuant to the emergency powers granted by the Rhode Island General Laws, and any other applicable provisions of state or local law, the Town Manager shall from time to time issue additional directives, orders, and recommendations as circumstances require, either written or verbal.
4. Nothing in this Resolution shall constrain duties and powers of the Town and the Town Manager authorized by Title 30, Chapter 15 of the General Laws and the Town Charter.
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately and remain in full force and effect until July 15, 2020, and the consent of the Town Council is hereby given for it to automatically renew and continue in effect for a period of thirty (30) days through August 15, 2020, unless renewed, modified, or terminated by a subsequent resolution. Provided, however, that if the statewide state of emergency is not extended by executive order of Governor Gina Raimondo on or before June 5, 2020, this Resolution shall expire on that date.

ATTEST:



Leigh A. Carney, CMC
Town Clerk/Executive Assistant to the Town Manager

Adopted on this 8th day of June, 2020 by the East Greenwich Town Council and voted 5-0.

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From: Carney, Leigh
Sent: Tuesday, June 9, 2020 9:35 AM
To: 'governor@governor.ri.gov'
Subject: EG Renews Declaration of Emergency
Attachments: 2020.12 Second Renewed Declaration of State of Emergency.pdf

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Thank you!

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