PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Tempe City Charter authorizes the declaration of an emergency affecting the life, health, property or the public peace of the City of Tempe; and

WHEREAS, the Tempe City Council by way of Emergency Ordinance No. O2020.07, declared an emergency on March 18, 2020, and authorizing the Mayor to rule by proclamation to enact measures to ensure the public peace, health, safety, or general welfare of the community; and

WHEREAS. Arizona law authorizes the Mayor of the City of Tempe, Arizona, to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when the City of Tempe is or may be affected by a public calamity under AR.S. § 26-311, in addition to powers granted by other provisions of law or the Charter; and

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 virus a public health emergency of international concern and Arizona Governor Douglas Ducey declared a state of emergency due to the COVID-19 viral outbreak for the State of Arizona on March 11, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 outbreak constitutes an immediate threat to life, public health, safety, welfare and economic viability, the City of Tempe has taken measures to protect the health and safety of our residents, community and employees, from the rapidly evolving threat to public health, safety and welfare.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED THAT DUE TO THE LOCAL EMERGENCY THAT EXISTS IN THE CITY OF TEMPE, ARIZONA FROM THE COVID-19 VIRUS OUTBREAK IT IS HEREBY ORDERED WITHIN THE CITY OF TEMPE:

Restaurants, nightclubs and bars shall be closed to the public as of 8:00 p.m., on Thursday, March 19, 2020, except for services of delivery or curbside pick-up options;

Recreational and entertainment venues, such as comedy clubs, movie theatres, arcades and bowling alleys shall be closed to the public as of 8:00 p.m., on Thursday, March 19, 2020;

Gymnasiums, fitness centers and work-out studios shall be closed to the public as of 1:00 p.m., on Thursday, March 19, 2020;

PROCLAIMED at 11:00 a.m. this 19th day of March 2020.

ATTEST:

Carla R. Reece, City Clerk

Mark W. Mitchell, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Judith R. Baumann, City Attorney

