



**Luke A. Bronin**  
**Mayor**

**MARCH 19, 2020**  
**LUKE A. BRONIN, MAYOR**  
**CITY OF HARTFORD**  
**CONNECTICUT 06103**

**EMERGENCY ORDER REGARDING  
GATHERINGS OF MORE THAN 10 IN  
THE CITY OF HARTFORD**

**WHEREAS**, on March 10, 2020, the Governor of the State of Connecticut declared a public health emergency and a civil preparedness emergency for the State of Connecticut, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Sections 19a-131 and 28-9, in response to the global pandemic of COVID-19 disease associated with a novel coronavirus that is currently affecting multiple countries and states; and,

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national emergency to combat the coronavirus that is currently infecting the population of the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 17, 2020, the Mayor of the City of Hartford, pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Sections 28-8a(a), 28-1(8), and 28-22, and pursuant to Chapter V, Sec. 2 (p) and Chapter V, Sec. 2 (x) of the Charter of the City of Hartford, declared a state of emergency, due to the significant danger to public health posed by the spread of COVID-19 and shortages of supplies and equipment necessary to protect the public health and safety, and the spread of COVID-19 to residents of the City of Hartford as a result of the global pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the significant adverse impact on public health of COVID-19, the Mayor is compelled to take action for the purpose of ensuring civil preparedness and mitigating the adverse effects of this emergency situation upon the residents of Hartford; and

**WHEREAS**, among best practices and prescribed measures of mitigation in light of this public health emergency is social distancing; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 16, 2020, Governor Ned Lamont issued Executive Order No. 7 D that has limited social gatherings throughout the State to no more than fifty people, including religious, spiritual or worship gatherings; and

**WHEREAS**, the Center for Disease Control has recommended that social gatherings be limited to no more than ten people to optimize the benefits of social distancing; and

**WHEREAS**, the powers granted by Connecticut General Statutes Sections 28-8a(a), 28-1(8), and 28-22, and Chapter V, Sec. 2 (p) and Chapter V, Sec. 2 (x) of the Charter of the City of Hartford, proclaim said Mayor to have and exercise all executive and administrative powers conferred upon any municipal chief executive; and

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**WHEREAS**, the duties assigned by the City Charter to the Mayor of the City of Hartford require said Mayor to cause the Charter, the Ordinances and laws to be executed and enforced, and to conserve the peace within the City. The Mayor shall be responsible for the good order and efficient government of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, in response to the issuance of declarations of a public health emergency and a civil preparedness emergency, a declaration of national emergency and the spread of COVID-19 to residents of the City of Hartford; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interests of the City and People of Hartford to promote public health and to ensure civil preparedness to minimize the adverse impacts of the current public health emergency and civil preparedness emergency posed by the spread of COVID-19.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** that, pursuant to the powers and duties granted in the Connecticut General Statutes and the Charter and Ordinances of the City of Hartford, in response to the civil preparedness and public health emergency now facing the City of Hartford, and in accordance with the advice from the City's public health officials, effective on Friday, March 20, 2020 at 12:01 a.m. through April 30, 2020, unless earlier modified, extended, or terminated, gatherings of more than 10 people for social and recreational activities, including but not limited to, community, civic, leisure, or sporting events; parades; concerts; festivals; plays or live performances; conventions; and similar activities, as well as religious, spiritual or worship gatherings of such size, are prohibited in the City of Hartford; and

**IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** that this order will be made publicly available for inspection and review in the Office of the Town Clerk of the City of Hartford, conveyed to the Court of Common Council through its President, Maly D. Rosado, and shall be posted on the City of Hartford website.

Dated:

3-19-20 2:38 pm

Handwritten signature of Luke Bronin in black ink.

**Luke Bronin**  
Mayor

Attested to:

Handwritten signature of Howard G. Rifkin in black ink.

**Howard G. Rifkin**  
Corporation Counsel  
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