

**RESOLUTION 06-20-05**

**AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION TO ENCOURAGE FACE COVERINGS  
IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED  
THERE TO.**

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, Governor Henry McMaster issued Executive Order No. 2020-08, as extended by Executive Order 2020-40 dated June 11, 2020, related to 2019 Novel Coronavirus (“**COVID-19**”) and declared that a state of emergency exists in the State of South Carolina (the “**State**”); and

**WHEREAS**, on May 12, 2020, the City Council of the City of Hartsville (the “**City Council**”), as the governing body of the City of Hartsville, South Carolina (the “**City**”) enacted Emergency Ordinance No. 4389 (the “**Prior Emergency Ordinance**”) to temporarily authorize electronic meetings and to suspend other local procedural rules; and

**WHEREAS**, as the number of COVID-19 cases continues to grow in the State, the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (“**DHEC**”) continues to warn of the risk of localized person-to-person spread of COVID-19, creating an extreme public health risk; and

**WHEREAS**, as of June 25, 2020, there were 29,022 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the State, including 1,037 confirmed cases in Florence County, South Carolina and 395 confirmed cases in Darlington County, South Carolina; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds it vitally important that individuals work together to decrease the widespread proliferation of COVID-19 among citizens of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, if COVID-19 continues to spread in the City and surrounding areas at its current rate, the number of persons relying on medical, pharmaceutical, and general cleaning supplies will increase, absenteeism will negatively impact the private and public sector work force, and the demand for medical facilities may exceed locally available resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, DHEC, and Carolina Pines Regional Medical Center advise the use of face coverings to slow the spread of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, it is hereby determined that the continuation and spread of COVID-19 represents a public emergency affecting life, health, and safety, and therefore, it is proper, necessary, and essential to enact this Resolution.

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it hereby resolved in this emergency meeting of the City Council, as follows:

**Section 1. Recitals.**

Each finding or statement of fact set forth in the recitals hereinabove has been carefully examined and has been found to be in all respects true and correct.

**Section 2. Encouragement of Face Coverings.**

(a) The use of a Face Covering is encouraged by every Person within the boundaries of the City as detailed below. Every Person is encouraged to wear Face Covering at all times when:

- (1) inside any building which is open to the public;
- (2) waiting to enter any building which open to the public;
- (3) interacting with other people in outdoor spaces, including but not limited to curbside, pickup, delivery, and service calls;
- (4) engaging in business activities in public, commercial, or industrial spaces;
- (5) utilizing public or commercial transportation services; or
- (6) walking or operating in any public, commercial, or industrial area where maintaining a distance of six feet between other Persons at all times is not possible.

(b) These circumstances do not include when a Person is:

- (1) traveling in a private vehicle;
- (2) alone in an enclosed space or able maintain a minimum distance of six feet from other Persons at all times;
- (3) outdoors and able maintain a minimum distance of six feet from other Persons at all times;
- (4) alone or only with other Household members;
- (5) drinking, eating or smoking (where smoking is permitted);
- (6) inside a private residence, including curtilage thereof; or
- (7) complying with a request of law enforcement.

**Section 3. Effective Date; Expiration.** The provisions hereof shall be effective upon a single reading and two-thirds vote of the City Council and shall expire on the sixty-first day following the effective date hereof.

**DONE AS AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION** and approved at a meeting duly assembled by no less than an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the City Council present, this 30th day of June 2020.

CITY OF HARTSVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

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Johnny L. Andrews, Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTEST:

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Sherron L. Skipper, City Clerk