ADDENDUM

TO THE DECLARATION AND RATIFICATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY WITHIN FULTON COUNTY DUE TO THE THREAT AND IMPACT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND ORDER OF CLOSURE OR MODIFICATION OF CERTAIN BUSINESS ACTIVITIES COUNTYWIDE TO MINIMIZE DIRECT HUMAN CONTACT TO PROVIDE THE ENUMERATION OF ESSENTIAL BUSINESSES AND ESSENTIAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

In conjunction with the emergency action of the Fulton County Board of Health on March 24, 2020, and after consultation between the Fulton County Board of Health and the District Health Director, the following businesses and business activities are hereby declared essential in Fulton County, and are therefore required, but only to the extent feasible, to maintain fewer than ten (10) people in any one location and the ability for each person to remain six feet (6’) apart:

1. Healthcare Operations and the essential Infrastructure for such operations;

2. Grocery stores, farmers' markets, farm and produce stands, supermarkets, food banks, convenience stores, and other establishments engaged in the retail sale of canned food, dry goods, beverages, fresh fruits and vegetables, pet supply, fresh meats, fish, and poultry, and any other household consumer products (such as cleaning and personal care products). This includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products, and products necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences;

3. Food cultivation, including farming, livestock, and fishing;

4. Businesses that provide food, shelter, and social services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise needy individuals;

5. Newspapers, television, radio, and other media services;

6. Gas stations and auto-supply, auto repair, and related facilities;

7. Banks and related financial institutions;

8. Hardware stores;
9. Lodging businesses (e.g., hotels, motels, conference centers but only as necessary for providing shelter and not for non-essential gatherings otherwise prohibited);

10. Plumbers, electricians, exterminators, and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation, and essential operation of residences, Essential Activities, and Essential Businesses;

11. Businesses providing mailing and shipping services, including post office boxes;

12. Educational institutions—including public and private K-12 schools, colleges, and universities -- for purposes of facilitating distance learning or performing essential functions, provided that social distancing of six-feet per person is maintained to the greatest extent possible;

13. Laundromats, dry cleaners, and laundry service providers;

14. Restaurants and other facilities that prepare and serve food, but only for drive-thru, delivery, or carry out services;

15. Cafeterias in hospitals, nursing homes, or similar facilities;

16. Businesses that supply products needed for people to work from home;

17. Businesses that supply other essential businesses with the support or supplies necessary to operate;

18. Businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, goods or services directly to residences;

19. Home-based care for seniors, adults, or children;

20. Residential facilities and shelters for seniors, adults, and children;

21. Professional services, such as legal or accounting services;

22. Veterinary care facilities;

23. Animal shelters or animal care or management and crematories

24. Bike shops

25. Childcare facilities;

26. Janitorial Services (Building/Residential cleaning and maintenance)
27. Funeral homes, crematories, and cemeteries; provided that funeral services shall be ordered to ensure safe social distancing of six feet (6’) between attendees in groups of ten or more;

28. Utility, water, sewer, gas, electrical, oil refining, roads and highways, railroads, public transportation, taxi/rideshare, solid waste collection and removal, internet, and telecommunications systems (including the provision of essential global, national, and local infrastructure for computing services, business infrastructure, communications, and web based services, and each type of essential infrastructure designated in the U.S. Department of Homeland Security’s March 19, 2020 Memorandum On Identification Of Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers During COVID-19 Response from the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security, which incorporated herein by reference ); and;

29. Any other service deemed by the District Health Director to be essential for the protection of public health, safety and welfare.

This declaration is not intended to and does not create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable in law or in equity by any party against Fulton County Board of Health, its departments, agencies, officials, employees, agents or any other person or entity.

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