EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. __- 20

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY RELATED IMMINENT DANGER OF CIVIL DISURBANCE, DISORDER, OR RIOT IN PHILADELPHIA

WHEREAS, protests and riots have erupted across the country in response to the recent death of George Floyd, a Black man in Minneapolis who died after one or more white police officers knelt on his neck, the latest in a long line of the deaths of Black men and women that have spurred protests across our nation; and

WHEREAS, peaceful demonstrations began in Philadelphia early in the day but were subsequently escalated, by some persons, to include actions of vandalism, property damage, rioting, and/or looting;

WHEREAS, demonstrations in other areas of the country have escalated given the understandable racial tensions inflamed by recent events; and

WHEREAS, the City remains subject to a State and City Declaration of Emergency related to the 2019 novel coronavirus disease, COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the City issued a Declaration of Emergency Related to the Known and Potential Presence of the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19 in Philadelphia (“COVID-19 Declaration of Emergency”); and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Governor and the Secretary of the Pennsylvania Department of Health issued orders requiring all non-life-sustaining businesses to close across the Commonwealth, to help stop the spread of the virus and the Governor and Secretary updated the aforementioned orders and list of life-sustaining and non-life sustaining businesses on March 20, 2020 and multiple times thereafter; and

WHEREAS, on March 22, 2020, the Mayor and the Health Commissioner jointly issued an Emergency Order Temporarily Prohibiting Operation of Non-Essential Businesses and Congregation of Persons to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19, which superseded the Emergency Order issued by the Mayor and Health Commissioner dated March 17, 2020, and which was approved as a regulation of the City by the Board of Health on March 26, 2020, which expressly authorized the Health Commissioner to issue such additional orders as the Commissioner determines are necessary or appropriate to limit the spread of COVID-19 (“the March 22, 2020 Emergency Order”); and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2020, the Governor of Pennsylvania issued a Stay-at-Home Order that applies to Philadelphia and numerous surrounding counties; and

WHEREAS, on this day, the imposition of a curfew became necessary to protect the City and its residents from severe endangerment and harm to their health, safety and property; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, James F. Kenney, by the powers vested in me as the Mayor of the City of Philadelphia and pursuant to all authority granted to me under the Philadelphia Home
Rule Charter, The Philadelphia Code, and applicable State and City orders, including the powers granted under 35 Pa. C.S. § 7501 and Section 10-819 of The Philadelphia Code, do hereby declare as follows:

1. The recent civil disturbance and disorder that has erupted in Philadelphia, constitutes a local disaster emergency and state of emergency pursuant to the terms of Pennsylvania and City law.

2. I hereby order a City-wide curfew limiting the hours when persons may go upon or travel the public streets as follows (collectively “Curfew Hours”):

   a. From May 30, 2020 8 p.m. until 6 a.m., May 31, 2020
   b. From May 31, 2020 8 p.m. until 6 a.m., June 1, 2020

3. During these Curfew Hours only persons that must leave their home to work at essential businesses as defined under the March 22, 2020 Emergency Order or to seek medical attention or the assistance of law enforcement and must go upon or travel the public streets to do so shall be permitted upon such public streets in Philadelphia.

4. This Order is effective immediately supplements but does not replace the COVID-19 Declaration of Emergency or the March 22 Emergency Order, as amended.

5. This Order shall remain in effect until June 6, 2020 unless rescinded, superseded, or amended by further Order. Failure to comply with this Order shall result in orders to disburse, and the imposition of penalties, fines, other remedies as provided for by law.

Date: 5/30/20

By: James F. Kenney, Mayor
City of Philadelphia