

JAMES BRAINARD, MAYOR

Executive Order: 2020-04

WHEREAS, the City of Carmel, Indiana ("Carmel") is in the midst of a public health emergency created by the spread of the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, at least 645 Indiana residents have tested positive for the COVID-19 virus, including 40 in Hamilton County and 315 in surrounding counties, and

WHEREAS, there is currently no known vaccination for the COVID-19 virus and it poses a present and serious health risk to Carmel residents; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to I.C. §§ 10-14-3-1, *et seq.*, and by Executive Order 20-02, Governor Holcomb declared a public health disaster emergency as a result of the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, by Executive Order 20-08, Governor Holcomb *ordered* Indiana residents to: (I) stay healthy at home; (II) not gather in groups of more than ten (10) persons; and, (III) when outside the home, stay at least six (6) feet away from other non-family members; and

WHEREAS, any person who knowingly, intentionally, or recklessly violates an Executive Order issued by the Governor commits a Class B misdemeanor (I.C. § 10-14-3-34); and

WHEREAS, Indiana law *requires* local law enforcement authorities to enforce the Governor's Executive Orders (I.C. § 10-14-3-24); and

WHEREAS, although most Carmel residents and guests are complying with the Governor's Executive Orders, a significant number of persons are still ignoring them by congregating in groups of more than ten (10) persons, and not practicing social distancing protocols, especially on and near certain portions of the Monon Greenway; and

WHEREAS, Indiana Code §§ 10-14-3-17, 10-14-3-24, 10-14-3-29, 36-8-2-4, 36-8-2-5, and 36-4-5-3 authorize me, as the Mayor of the City of Carmel, Indiana, to take actions to protect public health and safety, to limit non-essential travel within the City, and to enforce the Governor's Executive Orders, and

WHEREAS, it is now prudent and necessary to close the Monon Greenway from Gradle Drive to the south and Main Street to the north in order to protect public health and safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, by and under the powers invested in me, as the Mayor of the City of Carmel, I hereby **DECLARE AND ORDER** that the Monon Greenway from Gradle Drive to the south and Main Street to the north be **CLOSED**.

This **ORDER** shall be in effect from 10:30 AM on March 26, 2020 until further notice.

This **ORDER** is executed on this 26 day of March, 2020.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the seal of the City of Carmel, Indiana to be affixed

James Brainard, Mayo

ATTEST:

Douglas C. Haney, Corporation Counsel