### PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT



## Office of the County Executive

#### **EXECUTIVE ORDER**

No. <u>6</u>-2020

March 16, 2020

# DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

**WHEREAS,** Section 14-111 of the Public Safety Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland provides for the declaration of a Local State of Emergency; and

**WHEREAS,** Section 6-134, et seq., of the Prince George's County Code provides for the declaration of a Local State of Emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2020, the Governor of the State of Maryland declared a state of emergency and a catastrophic health emergency for the State of Maryland to prevent the control and spread of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, the President of the United States proclaimed that the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States constituted a national emergency beginning March 1, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization, on March 11, 2020, announced that the COVID-19 outbreak can be characterized as a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Prince George's County, Maryland has been and continues to be impacted by the COVID-19 outbreak; now, therefore

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020, that I, Angela D. Alsobrooks, County Executive for Prince George 's County, Maryland, hereby proclaim that a Local State of Emergency exists in Prince George's County, Maryland, and all County personnel, buildings, materials or resources, of any nature, shall be utilized by the County Government per my direction or the direction of the Director of the Office of Emergency Management, to any extent and in any lawful manner deemed necessary to protect human life and preserve property and in accordance with Subtitle 6 of the County Code.

#### IT IS FURTHER ORDERED.

- 1. All public offices and employees of Prince George's County are hereby directed to exercise the utmost diligence in the discharge of duties required of them for the duration of the emergency and in execution of federal, state and local emergency laws, regulations, and directives.
- 2. All citizens are called upon and directed to comply with necessary emergency measures, to cooperate with public officials and emergency management forces in executing emergency operations plans, and to obey and comply with the lawful directions of properly identified officers.
- 3. All operating agencies will direct their communications and requests for assistance and operations directly to the Prince George's County Emergency Operations Center.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Prince George's County Emergency Operations Plan is implemented and in full force and effect until further notice.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this declaration of a Local State of Emergency shall terminate automatically 30 days from this date unless terminated sooner or unless it is further extended.

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County Executive