

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 8 – 2022

June 17, 2022

WHEREAS, Section 20-160.01(a) of the Prince George's County Code provides that the County Executive, upon a finding that the average retail price of regular gasoline fuel in the region has exceeded the price of \$3.00 per gallon, may, by Executive Order, declare a Fuel Cost Emergency and may authorize the Director of Environmental Resources to establish a fuel cost emergency surcharge; and

WHEREAS, Section 20-160.01(b) of the Prince George's County Code provides that during the emergency, the Director shall set an amount which shall be charged per trip in addition to the rates established in Section 20-160 of the Code; and

WHEREAS, the significant increase in the average price of regular gasoline in the region continues to necessitate both an increase in the amount charged per trip in addition to the rates established in Section 20-160 of the Code and assessment of the fuel cost emergency surcharge; and

WHEREAS, according to data provided by the Energy Information Administration, U.S. Department of Energy, the average retail price of regular gasoline fuel in the region has far exceeded the price of \$3.00; now, therefore

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a local Fuel Cost Emergency is declared, and the Director is hereby authorized to establish a fuel cost emergency surcharge; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the fuel cost emergency surcharge shall be \$1.00 for each fare, but that the fuel cost emergency surcharge may not be charged to any person who is aged sixty (60) and over, or for any fare pursuant to any County contract; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that during the emergency, the Director shall set an amount of an additional \$1.00 to be charged per trip in addition to the rates established in Section 20-160 of the Code; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that this Executive Order shall remain in effect from the date of issuance until December 31, 2022, unless amended, extended, superseded or terminated or upon a finding by the County Executive that the average price of regular gasoline in the region has fallen below \$3.00 per gallon; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that if any provision of this Executive Order or its application to any person, entity, or circumstance is held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, all other provisions or applications of the Order shall remain in effect to the extent possible without the invalid provision or application. To achieve this purpose, the provisions of this Executive Order are severable.

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