RESOLUTION 20- 05

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ASTORIA IMPOSING EMERGENCY RESTRICTIONS TO ENSURE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY.

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, pursuant to ordinances of the City of Astoria, the City Council declared a state of emergency in the City of Astoria and authorized the City Council to take such actions and issue such orders as are necessary to protect the public and mitigate the effect of the emergency.

WHEREAS, thousands of people from outside Clatsop County have come to Clatsop County in order to celebrate spring break.

WHEREAS, the Astoria City Council finds that influx of persons from outside Clatsop County represents a threat to spread the COVID-19 virus to the citizens of our City and poses a threat to overwhelm our heath care resources

WHEREAS, the City of Warrenton has issued an order, and Clatsop County will be considering an order, banning hotel stays and short-term rentals in recognition that this influx represents a threat to introduce and spread the COVID-19 infection to Clatsop County.

WHEREAS, the President of the United States has discouraged gatherings of more than 10 people and the Governor of the State of Oregon has adopted a policy of "Stay Home, Stay Healthy" and issued a protective order banning such things as seated dining at bars and restaurants and gatherings of more than 25 people.

WHEREAS, the Astoria City Council finds, that in order to protect its citizens and to support state and national goals of reducing transmission of COVID19, temporary hotel, short-term rental and homestay lodging closures are necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Astoria City Council:

<u>Section 1.</u> Except as excepted in Section 2, transient lodging, short-term rentals and homestay lodgings are prohibited while the City's emergency declaration is in effect.

<u>Section 2.</u> All Hotels, short-term rentals and homestay lodgings within the city limits of Astoria shall accept no guests while the City's emergency declaration is in effect except for:

- a. Residents registered for longer than 30-days;
- b. Local residents effecting a COVID-19 self-quarantine if such stays are authorized by the local Health Authority or local residents who have moved from their home in order to allow family members to self-quarantine in their local residence;
- c. Employees of a facility provided lodging at no cost as a requirement of their employment;

- d. Patients receiving medical treatment at local facilities;
- e. Essential workers, including but not limited to doctors, nurses and other health care workers, US Coast Guard members, delivery drivers, utility crews, bar pilots, river pilots and other persons providing essential services to the City.

<u>Section 3.</u> Property owners and managers of Astoria hotels, short-term rentals and homestay lodging shall take all reasonable steps to terminate the occupancy of any guests not exempted by Section 2 of this ordinance no later than 11:59 pm on Monday March 23, 2020.

<u>Section 4.</u> Property owners and managers found to be in violation of the terms of this resolution may be cited into Astoria Municipal Court pursuant to Astoria Code 1.010.

Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption and approval.

ADOPTED BY THE ASTORIA CITY COUNCIL THIS 22 1 DAY OF MARCH 2020.

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR THIS 22 DAY OF MARCH 2020

Bruce Jones, Mayor

ATTEST:

Brett Estes, City Manager

ROLL CALL ON ADOPTION: YEA NAY ABSENT

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APPROVED AS TO FORM: