



Legislation Text

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Resolution Consenting to the Mayor's Declaration of a Local State of Emergency in Response to Covid-19

Whereas, The spread of COVID-19 is considered a global pandemic;

Whereas, The Federal and State government have declared a state of emergency in order to lessen the impact of COVID-19;

Whereas, Washtenaw County reports that in the first two weeks of August there was a 12% increase in the proportion of cases among 18 to 24-year-olds compared to the month of July.;

Whereas, In the past two weeks, COVID-19 cases in those 30 years of age and younger represented 60% of reported cases in Washtenaw County;

Whereas, This trend of an increasing percentage of young people becoming infected with COVID-19 is present in many states across the country;

Whereas, Thousands of students are returning to the universities and colleges in the City of Ann Arbor, many from states with high rates of COVID-19, living in congregate settings, and traditionally disposed toward socializing in large groups;

Whereas, Such circumstances within the City threatens to cause widespread transmission of COVID-19 if emergency actions are not taken;

Whereas, The City of Ann Arbor desires to rigorously pursue efforts to reduce the spread of COVID-19 for its residents and visitors in order to protect their health and safety; and

Whereas, The Mayor of the City of Ann Arbor, as the Chief Elected Official, declared a local State of Emergency on August 24, 2020;

RESOLVED, That the City Council consents to the Mayor's Declaration of Local State of Emergency that was issued on August 24, 2020;

RESOLVED, That the Mayor's Declaration of Local State of Emergency that was issued on August 24, 2020, is hereby extended and continued until the City Council votes to discontinue such Local State of Emergency Declaration; and

RESOLVED, That the City Clerk provide the attached declaration to Michigan State Police and the District 2 South Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division Coordinator.

Sponsored by: Mayor Taylor