March 8, 2021

TWELFTH PROCLAMATION
OF EMERGENCY OR DISASTER
(COVID-19 [Novel Coronavirus])

By the authority vested in me as the Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu, pursuant to the Revised Charter of the City and County of Honolulu 1973 (2000 ed.), as amended (“RCH”); the Revised Ordinances of the City and County of Honolulu 1990, as amended (“ROH”); and the Hawaii Revised Statutes (“Haw. Rev. Stat.”), I, Rick Blangiardi, Mayor, hereby proclaim, determine, declare and find the following:

WHEREAS, Haw. Rev. Stat. § 127A-13(b)(1) provides that, in the event of a state of emergency or disaster in the City and County of Honolulu (the “City”), the Mayor may take action to relieve hardship and inequities or obstructions to the public health by suspending any county law, in whole or in part, or by alleviating the provisions of county laws on such terms and conditions as the Mayor may impose, including county licensing laws, and county laws relating to labels, grades, and standards;

WHEREAS, Haw. Rev. Stat. § 127A-13(b)(2) provides that the Mayor may suspend any county law that impedes or tends to impeded, or that may be detrimental to, the health, safety and welfare of the public; and

WHEREAS, Haw. Rev. Stat. § 127A-12(c)(12) provides that the Mayor may restrict the congregation of the public in stricken or dangerous areas or under dangerous conditions; and

WHEREAS, Haw. Rev. State. § 127A-12(c)(17) provides that the Mayor may take any and all steps necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of this chapter notwithstanding that those powers in section 127A-13(b) may only be exercised during an emergency period; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, a Proclamation COVID-19 [Novel Coronavirus] (“Initial Proclamation”) was issued, on March 18, 2020 a Supplemental Proclamation of Emergency or Disaster (COVID-19 [Novel Coronavirus]) (“Supplemental Proclamation”), on April 29, 2020
WHEREAS, Governor David Y. Ige issued a proclamation for the State of Hawai‘i on March 4, 2020 and subsequently issued supplemental proclamations related to the spread of COVID-19 including most recently, on February 12, 2021, the Eighteenth Proclamation Related to the COVID-19 Emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization designated the COVID-19 outbreak a pandemic of international concern; and

WHEREAS, a significant level of COVID-19 continues to spread throughout the City. As of March 8, 2021, the City has averaged 24 new COVID-19 cases per day (which includes inmate COVID-19 positive cases in State prisons) over the last seven (7) days with a 0.9% positivity rate of COVID-19 tests performed over the same time period. 339 COVID-19 positive cases remain “active”. Since the beginning of the pandemic, the City has had a total of 22,131 COVID-19 cases, 1,637 COVID-19 related hospitalizations, and 353 COVID-19 related deaths; and

WHEREAS, the state of emergency or disaster arising out of, and relating to, the COVID-19 pandemic continues to exist in all or any portion of the City as of the date and time of this Twelfth Proclamation of Emergency or Disaster (COVID-19 [Novel Coronavirus]) (“Twelfth Proclamation”) requiring action and effort to manage the potential strain on the healthcare system and other catastrophic impacts to the City; and

WHEREAS, the current state of emergency or disaster period relating to the COVID-19 pandemic is set to terminate on April 10, 2021; and

Proclamation, Eighth Proclamation, Ninth Proclamation, Tenth Proclamation, and Eleventh Proclamation with this new and separate Twelfth Proclamation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Blangiardi, Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu, pursuant to the authority vested in me as the Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu as set forth above, in order to promote and protect the public health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the City and County of Honolulu, do hereby proclaim, determine, declare and find that effective immediately:

1. a state of emergency or disaster period relating to the COVID-19 pandemic is hereby declared and will remain in place for sixty (60) days; and


This Twelfth Proclamation and the related state of emergency or disaster period shall terminate sixty (60) days after its issuance, unless terminated earlier by the undersigned pursuant to Haw. Rev. Stat. ch. 127A.

Rick Blangiardi, Mayor
City and County of Honolulu

APPROVED:

Paul S. Aoki
Acting Corporation Counsel

APPROVED:

David Y. Ige
Governor