BOROUGH OF ORADELL

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO.

2020-01

Continuing Declared Local State of Emergency with Modifications

WHEREAS, in light of the dangers posed by Coronavirus disease 2019 ("COVID-19"), I declared a Local State of Emergency on March 16, 2020, the facts and circumstances of which are adopted by reference herein; and

WHEREAS, among these actions, and in recognition that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") has advised that social mitigation strategies for combating COVID-19 require every effort to reduce the rate of community spread of the disease and that COVID-19 spreads most frequently through person-to-person contact when individuals are within six feet or less of one another, I ordered local parks closed to mitigate community spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, after the issuance of the Local State of Emergency, the CDC issued guidance for visiting parks and recreational facilities, recognizing that parks and open spaces provide people a vital way to keep the mind and body healthy; and

WHEREAS, the CDC guidance regarding the safe access of parks advises individuals to stay six feet away from other visitors,avoid use of playgrounds, decline participation in organized sports and recreational activities, and visit parks close to home to limit travel distances; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Oradell is no longer seeing a rapid increase in the number of new cases of COVID-19 that are being reported on a daily basis, and the State is experiencing a decrease in the number of individuals visiting emergency departments and being admitted to hospitals for COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, as The Borough of Oradell makes continued progress in its fight against COVID-19, it is appropriate to ensure that Oradell Residentscan safely enjoy outdoor recreation, with reasonable restrictions that limit the spread of COVID-19, as a way to enhance physical and mental health, while maintaining the overall social distancing and mitigation requirements in place to protect the health, safety, and welfare of Oradell residents; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Dianne Didio, Mayor of the Borough of Oradell, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Statutes of this Borough, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. All Borough Parks shall open to the public to engage in the following passive recreational activities in which social distancing can be readily achieved:

a. Hiking;

b. Walking;

c. Running or jogging;

d. Biking;

2. The following shall remain closed to the public at all Borough Parks:

a. Picnic areas;

b. Playgrounds;

c. Basketball courts and Tennis courts;

d. Exercise stations and equipment; and,

e. Restrooms.

3. The following recommendations and policies shall apply to all Borough Parks:

a. Employees and visitors should wear cloth face coverings while in the Borough Parks in all settings where other social distancing measures are difficult to maintain, except where doing so would inhibit that individual's health or where the individual is under two years of age;

b. Available parking must be limited at all Borough Parks at 50% of the maximum capacity at one time;

c. Consistent with Paragraph 3 of NJ State Executive Order No.107 (2020), visitors must practice social distancing and stay six feet apart whenever practicable, excluding immediate family members, caretakers, household members, or romantic partners;

d. **No organized or contact activities or sports shall be allowed; and**

e. Consistent with Paragraph 5 of NJ State Executive Order No. 107 (2020), gatherings of individuals, including in parks, are prohibited.

4. Penalties for violations of this Order may be imposed under, among other statutes, N.J.S.A. App. A:9-49 and A:9-50

5. This Order shall take effect beginning at 6:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 2, 2020, and shall remain in effect until revoked or modified by the Mayor, who shall consult with the Office of Emergency Management as appropriate.

Dianne Didio, Mayor — Date: 5/1/2020

Derek Kahill, Emergency Management Coordinator — Date: 5/1/20