

**TOWN OF BARTONVILLE, TEXAS  
DISASTER DECLARATION**

**WHEREAS**, beginning in December 2019, a novel coronavirus, now designated SARS-CoV2 which causes the disease COVID-19, has been declared a global pandemic by the World Health Organization; and

**WHEREAS**, the symptoms of COVID-19 can range from mild to severe illness and cause further complications including death; and

**WHEREAS**, COVID-19 virus mainly spreads between people who are in close contact with one another through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, the Governor of the State of Texas issued a proclamation certifying that COVID-19 poses an imminent threat of disaster in the state and declaring a state of disaster for all counties in Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, the Denton County Judge issued Executive Order AE-20-03, declaring a local state of disaster for Denton County, Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Bartonville, Texas, is taking extraordinary measures to prevent the spread of this potentially devastating disease in our community; and

**WHEREAS**, said state of disaster requires that certain emergency protective measures be taken pursuant to the Texas Disaster Act of 1975 relating to Emergency Management and Public Health, pursuant to Chapter 418 of the Texas Government Code; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 418.108 of the Texas Government Code authorizes the Mayor of the Town of Bartonville to order the evacuation of all or part of the population from a stricken or threatened area under the jurisdiction and authority of the Mayor if the Mayor considers the action necessary for the preservation of life or other disaster mitigation, response, or recovery; and authorizes the Mayor to control ingress to and egress from a disaster area under the jurisdiction and authority of the Mayor and control the movement of persons and the occupancy of premises in that area.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF BARTONVILLE, TEXAS, THAT:**

**SECTION 1.** A local state of disaster for public health emergency is hereby declared for the Town of Bartonville, Texas, pursuant to Section 418.108(a) of the Texas Government Code.

**SECTION 2.** Pursuant to Section 418.108(b) of the Texas Government Code the state of disaster for public health emergency shall continue for a period of not more than seven (7) days from the date of this declaration, unless continued or renewed by the Town Council of the Town of Bartonville, Texas.

**SECTION 3.** Pursuant to Section 418.108(c) of the Texas Government Code this declaration of a local state of disaster for public health emergency shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the Town Secretary.

**SECTION 4.** Pursuant to Section 418.108(d) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration of a local state of disaster activates the Town of Bartonville, Texas, emergency management plan and authorizes the furnishing of aid and assistance under the declaration.

**SECTION 5.** Pursuant to Sections 418.108(f) and (g) of the Texas Government Code, this declaration hereby limits the occupancy of the following locations to 50% occupancy as set forth on the business' certificate(s) of occupancy:

- a. Restaurants
- b. Bars
- c. Coffee Shops

**SECTION 6.** This proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

**DECLARED this 18 day of March, 2020.**



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bill Scherer", is written over a horizontal line.

Bill Scherer, Mayor  
Town of Bartonville, Texas