

OMAHA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA

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RESOLUTION OMAHA TRIBAL COUNCIL

#20-94

RE: AMENDED: Shelter in Place Order for Omaha Tribe Reservation and CURFEW

WHEREAS: the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska is federally recognized Indian tribe of organized under a constitution and bylaws approved by the Secretary of Interior on April 30, 1936, pursuant to Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934; and

WHEREAS: pursuant to Article III, Sec. I of the constitution of the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska, the governing body of the Omaha Tribe shall also be known as Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS: pursuant to Article IV, Sec. 1 (g) of the constitution of the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska the governing body of the Omaha Tribe shall also be known as Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS: the Omaha Tribal Council recognizes the reality and severity of the threat presented by the COVID- 19 Pandemic, heightened by a lack of medical and material resources (ventilators, hospital beds, etc.) within the Indian Health Service, the Omaha Tribe, and the State of Nebraska and State of Iowa, that in the interest of preserving the Health, Safety, and Welfare of the Omaha People, the Omaha Tribal Council strongly advises the Omaha People to adhere to the following guidelines in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS: the Omaha Tribal Council recommends the adoption of a Temporary Curfew Order as a necessary preventative measure to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.; and

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WHEREAS: the law enforcement of Omaha Tribe will collaborate with local and county law enforcement authorities in the enforcement across the reservation as necessary; and

WHEREAS: in order to keep tribal members and other residents of the Omaha Tribe Reservation safe and after consultation with the tribal Health Department, the Omaha Tribal Council believes that is in the best interest of the Omaha Tribe, and the tribal membership and all residents living within the boundaries of the Omaha Tribe Reservation to enact a Temporary Curfew Order.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Omaha Tribal Council adopts the Temporary Curfew Order to be followed by all persons within the boundaries of the Omaha Tribe Reservation while the COVID-19 pandemic remains a threat to the tribal membership and all people who reside on the Omaha Tribe Reservation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Omaha Tribal Council finds this Temporary Curfew Order between the hours of 12:00 AM through 6:00AM beginning June 18, 2020, necessary in order to minimize in-person interaction, which is the primary means of transmission of COVID-19; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this resolution will remain in effect no longer than necessary to ensure that COVID-19 no longer poses a public health threat; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: Recognized guidance for Shelter in Place Order:

1. Shelter-In-Place. Stay home and self-quarantine until further notice. A week to week update will be made by tribal council.
2. Do not make social visits- minimize interaction with other community members.
3. Practice social distancing by staying at least 6 feet apart from others.
4. No public gatherings through the duration of the COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency including at the parks and the courts.

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5. If you have any of the following symptoms:

- -Fever (Temperature above 100.4)
- Cough (Especially if a dry cough)
- Shortness of Breath
- Sudden Loss of Taste and/or Smell

immediately self-isolate and call the numbers listed below:

Carl T. Curtis Health Center at
(402) 837-5381 and ask for the Triage Nurse.
Between 8am and 4:30 pm Monday through Friday

Alternately you may call
12 Clans Hospital Hotline at (402) 922-1508.
12 Clans Hospital Emergency Room (402) 878-2231

If you have questions or concerns that arise during this difficult time, please call
Emergency Management at (402) 844-0395

These measures are absolutely necessary to ensure the health, safety, and well-being of the membership of the Omaha Tribe because of the identified lack of medical resources in the State of Nebraska and State of Iowa. This order is subject to modification and change by the Omaha Tribal Council.

This Temporary Curfew Order has been enacted by the Omaha Tribal Council and applies to all persons within the boundaries of the Omaha Tribe Reservation while the COVID-19 pandemic remains a threat to the tribal membership and all people who reside on the Omaha Tribe Reservation. The Omaha Tribal Council finds this Temporary Curfew Order necessary in order to minimize in-person interaction, which is the primary means of transmission of COVID-19, or until it no longer poses a public health threat. Curfew will be from 12:00 AM through 6:00AM until further notice. A weekly update will be made by tribal council.

1. CURFEW

- a. A curfew for all persons shall be enforced daily between the hours of 12:00AM to 6:00 AM.
 - i. During curfew hours, persons within the Omaha Tribe Reservation shall observe the SHELTER IN PLACE provisions set forth below including travel.

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- ii. Persons traveling through the Reservation on a state highway are exempt as long as they do not stop within the Reservation boundaries.
- b. Persons engaging in essential work and essential travel are exempt, but such exempt persons shall try to use safety measures, such as wearing a mask, when engaging in essential work and travel.

2. ENFORCEMENT

- a. All resolutions adopted by the Omaha Tribal Council specifically in relation to the public health emergency caused by the COVID-19 pandemic are enforceable by the local law enforcement.
- b. Travel Violations:
 - i. First Offense: Citation and \$250 fine
 - ii. Second Offense: Citation and \$500.00 fine
 - iii. Third Offense: Vehicle towed, Citation and \$500.00 fine
- c. Walking During Curfew:
 - i. First Offense: Citation and \$250 fine
 - ii. Second Offense: Citation and \$500.00 fine
- d. House Gathering Violations During Curfew:
 - i. First Offense: Citation and \$250 fine
 - ii. Second Offense: Citation and \$500 fine

(All violations will be reported to the Housing Programs, if applicable)
- e. Gathering in Public Areas During Curfew:
 - i. First Offense: Citation and \$250 fine
 - ii. Second Offense: Citation and \$500 fine
 - iii. Third Offense: Vehicle towed and/or Citation and \$500.00 fine

3. OMAHA TRIBAL GOVERNMENTAL OFFICES & SERVICE WILL BE SUSPENDED

Omaha Tribal Government offices and services will be suspended, with only essential and telework employees providing continuity of services. The CTCHEC clinic operations will continue to operate.

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CERTIFICATION

This will certify that the foregoing resolution was considered at a meeting of the Tribal Council of the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska, duly called and held on _____, and was adopted by a vote of ____ FOR, ____ AGAINST and ____ NOT VOTING OR ABSENT with the Chairperson not voting. A quorum of ____ was present.

INTRODUCED BY: _____

MOTION: _____

SECOND: _____

Signed:

Chairman Isaac Sherman, Jr.

Omaha Tribal Council

Jerome Hamilton, Secretary

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