Office of the Mayor
Fairbanks North Star Borough
Alaska

Proclamation

WHEREAS, The COVID-19 Pandemic was declared an emergency by the following Government Officials:

- United States President Donald Trump, March 13, 2020
- Alaska Governor Michael Dunleavy, March 12, 2020
- Fairbanks North Star Borough Mayor Bryce Ward, March 20, 2020
- City of Fairbanks Mayor Jim Matherly, March 23, 2020
- City of North Pole Mayor Michael Welch, April 10, 2020

WHEREAS, Governor Dunleavy and Department of Health and Social Services Commissioner Adam Crum have issued health mandates to prevent the spread of the disease; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 poses a significant risk to the health of the community and our local healthcare systems; and

WHEREAS, community members can reduce the risk of spreading the virus to others if everyone wear masks when interacting in public; and

WHEREAS, preventative measures are the best defense against the spread of the virus; and

WHEREAS, wearing a mask helps prevent asymptomatic spread. Wearing a mask not only protects you, but protects others around you; and

WHEREAS, the measures listed below have shown to reduce the spread of coronavirus:

- Physical and social distancing of 6 feet or greater
- Wearing a cloth face covering when in public and in areas where social distancing is not possible
- Washing your hands frequently
- Not touching your face
- Not going out in public or going to work if you feel ill

WHEREAS, the economy and the wellbeing of our community rest in the hands of individuals who choose to practice good hygiene and are courteous to each other; and

WHEREAS, we all have a responsibility to ourselves and each other to keep our community strong and healthy.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, Bryce Ward, Mayor of the Fairbanks North Star Borough, Jim Matherly, Mayor of the City of Fairbanks, and Michael Welch, Mayor of the City of North Pole do hereby proclaim:

Wearing a cloth face covering or mask in public as any action that will better our community during the pandemic and we strongly encourage all residents to wear a cloth face covering or mask and continue to take precautions to prevent the spread of disease in the community.

[Signatures]

ATTEST:
April Trickey, CMC, Borough Clerk