

**RESOLUTION \_\_\_\_\_**

**CONTINUATION OF DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY RELATED TO  
THE THREAT OF CRIMINAL ACTIVITY**

**WHEREAS**, on October 12, 2019, Atatiana Koquice Jefferson was shot in her home by an on-duty Fort Worth police officer, resulting in protests and demonstrations in the City of Fort Worth;

**WHEREAS**, May 25, 2020, George Perry Floyd died while in custody of the Minneapolis Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, in the aftermath of Mr. Floyd's killing many people around the country have engaged in peaceful protests and demonstrations, including in the City of Fort Worth, Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, however, some of these protests and demonstrations have escalated into criminal activity across the United States, including damaging property, assault, and looting; and

**WHEREAS**, criminal activity occurred during and following protests in the City of Fort Worth after dark on May 31, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, this Order activates the City of Fort Worth Emergency Management Plan as it relates to times of clear and present danger of the use of violence; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Chapter 418 of the Texas Government Code and Section 11.5 of the City of Fort Worth Code of Ordinances, the mayor is designated as the emergency management director of the City of Fort Worth and may act in accordance with the City's Emergency Management Plan to address the threat of clear and present danger of the use of violence; and

**WHEREAS**, Betsy Price, Mayor of the City of Fort Worth determined that extraordinary and immediate measures must be taken to prevent the clear and present danger of the use of violence in the City of Fort Worth and issued a Declaration of Disaster on June 1, 2020;

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with section 418.108(b) the declaration by the Mayor can only be in effect for a period of not more than 72 hours, unless the same is continued by the City Council of the City of Fort Worth, Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, the current situation with COVID-19 leads the City Council to believe that the mitigation efforts and emergency response to COVID-19 must continue for more than seven days.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS:**

**I.**

That the declaration of emergency for the City of Fort Worth, as it may be amended, shall continue in its entirety until June 9, 2020.

**II.**

That the City's Emergency Operational Plan shall continue to be implemented.

**III.**

That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

ADOPTED THIS 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020.

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Betsy Price  
Mayor

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Mary J. Kayser  
City Secretary