

**TOWN OF LINCOLN RHODE ISLAND  
ORDINANCE FOR  
DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY**

Whereas, the State of Rhode Island has declared as state of emergency due to the outbreak of COVID-19, as set forth in Executive Orders 20-02 20-04 issued by Governor Gina M. Raimondo on March 9 and 16, 2020, respectively, and

Whereas, RIGL §§ 30-15-12(b) and 30-15-13 as well as Section C5-9 (5) of the Lincoln Town Charter, all authorize the Town Council to declare a state of emergency in the Town of Lincoln in the event of, among other things, an event which endangers the public health and safety, and

Whereas, Section C5-9 (5) of the Lincoln Town Charter authorizes the Lincoln Town Council to adopt, without previous filing with the Town Clerk and by affirmative vote of three (3) of its members, an ordinance containing a declaration of emergency which shall take effect upon passage, and

Whereas, it appears that the public health and safety of the Town of Lincoln is in imminent danger due to the spread of the COVID-19 virus, including but not limited to the number of cases COVID-19 reported to date in Rhode Island and as more specifically set forth in the above-referenced Governor's Executive Orders

Now Therefore, pursuant to Section C5-9 (5) of the Lincoln Town Charter, as RIGL §§ 30-15-12(b) and 30-15-13, do hereby ordain as follows:

1. All entertainment licenses in any form are hereby suspended for a period of seven (7) days. No new entertainment licenses will be issued during the period of emergency. No entertainment authorized by these licenses is allowed in the licensed establishments during the suspension period.
  
2. For any restaurant, bar or establishment that offers food or drink, the restrictions as set forth in Executive Order 20-04 by Governor Gina Raimondo and the Rhode Island Department of Health are hereby adopted by the Town of Lincoln for a period of seven (7) days. Those restrictions are: no on-premises consumption of food or drink; provided that such establishments may continue to offer food and non-alcoholic beverages for take-out and delivery in accordance with social distancing protocols and guidance set forth by the Rhode Island Department of Health.

3. The restriction on gatherings of more than twenty-five (25) people, as set forth by Governor Gina Raimondo in Executive Order 20-04 and the Rhode Island Department of Health are hereby adopted by the Town of Lincoln for a period of seven (7) days.

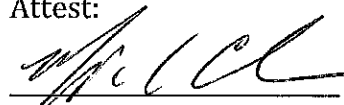
4. All non-essential public meetings are hereby cancelled and will be rescheduled.

5. The Town Administrator is hereby authorized to take any and all actions necessary in regard to Town government operations, including access to town offices, to address the COVID-19 situation and protect the health and safety of Lincoln residents and Town employees and in accordance with any other Executive Orders issued by Governor Gina Raimondo.


6. The Town Administrator, department heads and public safety personnel shall reassess the situation on a daily basis.

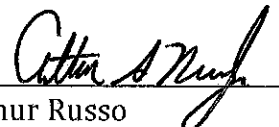
7. This Declaration of Emergency shall remain in full force and effect until midnight on March 23, 2020, but is subject to renewal pursuant to law after that time.

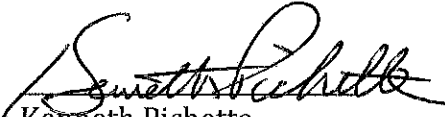
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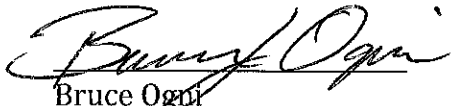
  
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Monique Clauson  
Town Clerk

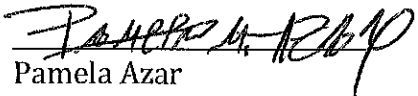
Adopted as an emergency ordinance:

  
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President, Lincoln Town Council

  
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Arthur Russo  
Vice President, Lincoln Town Council

  
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Member, Lincoln Town Council

  
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