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## CITY OF PATERSON EXECUTIVE ORDER

WHEREAS, Coronavirus 2019 Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a severe acute respiratory illness that can spread among humans through respiratory transmission and presents with symptoms similar to those of influenza; and

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization previously declared COVID-19 a Public Health Emergency of International Concern; and

WHEREAS, the CDC recommends community preparedness and everyday prevention measures be taken by all individuals and families in the United States, including voluntary home isolation when individuals are sick with respiratory symptoms, covering coughs and sneezes with a tissue and disposal of the tissue immediately, thereafter, washing hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, using of alcohol-based hand sanitizers with 60%-95% alcohol if soap and water are not readily available and routinely cleaning frequently touched surfaces and objects to increase community resilience and readiness for responding to an outbreak; and

**WHEREAS**, Governor Philip D. Murphy, in light of COVID-19 issued Executive Order No. 103 on March 9, 2020 Public Health Emergency and State of Emergency; and

WHEREAS, Governor Murphy further issued Executive Order Nos. 119, 138, 151, 162, 171, 180, 186, 191, 200, 210, and 215, issued on April 7, 2020, May 6, 2020, June 4, 2020, July 2, 2020, August 1, 2020, August 27, 2020, September 25, 2020, October 24, 2020, November 22, 2020, December 21, 2020, and January 19, 2021, respectively, declaring that the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency continued to exist and declared that all Executive Orders and Administrative Orders adopted in whole or in part in response to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency remained in full force and effect; and

WHEREAS, on February 3, 2021, Governor Murphy signed Executive Order 219 which increased indoor capacity limits at businesses and other establishments from 25% to 35% effective February 5, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Paterson must take additional steps to support City of Paterson businesses and establishments while continuing to provide the appropriate protection and guidance for City residents.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED BY ANDRÉ SAYEGH, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PATERSON, NEW JERSEY THAT:

- 1. Non-essential businesses must close by 10:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 12:00 a.m. on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.
- 2. Masks must be worn at all events.
- 3. Masks must be worn at all times in restaurants and eating establishments unless eating and/or drinking.
- 4. There shall be no sitting at bars in restaurants, social clubs, entertainment venues, etc.

The above protocols shall be effective February 5, 2021 and shall remain in effect until further notice.

This Executive Order shall be kept on file in the Offices of the City Clerk and Business Administrator. A copy of this order shall be made available to the public upon request

Dated: February 5, 2021

André Sayegh MAYOR

cc: Kathleen Long, Business Administrator Sonia Gordon, City Clerk Farrah Irving, Corporation Counsel Jerry Speziale, Public Safety Director