

**PROCLAMATION NO. 2020-01**

**A PROCLAMATION DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY RELATED TO THE COVID-19 VIRUS.**

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**WHEREAS**, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization (WHO) declared the coronavirus COVID-19 disease to be a pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a National Emergency; due to the COVID-19 disease pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 15, 2020, the Governor of the State of Oklahoma has declared an emergency caused by the impending threat of COVID-19 to the people of this State and the public's peace, health and safety; and

**WHEREAS**, health professionals and researchers have determined COVID-19 is spread by human contact and interaction; and

**WHEREAS**, practicing methods such as social distancing is believed to slow the spread of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, in consultation with the Washington County Health Department and the Washington County Medical Association, the aforementioned conditions have been determined to constitute a threat to the safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Bartlesville; and

**WHEREAS**, these conditions create an emergency situation within the meaning of Section 683.3, Oklahoma Emergency Act of 2003, as amended and Section 2-466 of the Bartlesville Municipal Code;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY STATE LAW AND THE CITY OF BARTLESVILLE, I, DALE COPELAND, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BARTLESVILLE, OKLAHOMA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM AND DECLARE:**

**SECTION ONE:** A state of emergency exists within the corporate limits of the City of Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

**SECTION TWO:** This proclamation shall become effective at 11:59 PM, March 23, 2020.

**SECTION THREE:** This state of emergency shall continue until 11:59 PM, April 6, 2020 unless extended or terminated earlier by further proclamation.

**PROCLAIMED THIS 23rd DAY OF MARCH, 2020.**

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Dale Copeland, Mayor  
City of Bartlesville

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City Clerk  
City of Bartlesville