Proclamation
Declaration of a State of Emergency
Within the City of Muskego Regarding COVID-19

WHEREAS, in December 2019, a novel strain of the coronavirus now named Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) was detected and has spread throughout many countries, including the United States; and,

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has declared a Public Health Emergency of International Concern; and the United States Department of Health and Human Services has declared a Public Health Emergency; and,

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the State of Wisconsin has declared the existence of a public health emergency, as defined in Section 323.02(16), Wisconsin Statutes; and,

WHEREAS, Waukesha County declared a State of Emergency on March 13, 2020 in response to the COVID-19 outbreak; and

WHEREAS, the Waukesha County Department of Emergency Preparedness activated its Emergency Operations Center (EOC) on or about March 18, 2020 in order to enhance the community response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, because of emergency conditions, the Common Council is unable to meet with promptness; and

WHEREAS, the existence of confirmed cases of COVID-19 within Wisconsin, including within Waukesha County, constitutes a condition within the County posing an imminent threat of a disaster within the meaning of Chapter 323 of the Wisconsin Statutes that could impair medical care, health protection, and other critical systems of the City of Muskego; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and expedient for the health, safety, protection, and welfare of persons within the City of Muskego, that reasonable and prudent steps be taken to treat those infected with COVID-19 and to prevent, limit, and contain the potential community spread of COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, declaring a state of emergency will facilitate and expedite the use of resources to protect persons from the impacts of the spread of COVID-19 while ensuring continuity of critical operations within the City of Muskego; and,

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to Chapter 323 of the Wisconsin Statutes, as Mayor of the City of Muskego, Waukesha County, Wisconsin, I hereby declare that a State of Emergency now exists within the City of Muskego in light of the public health threat posed by COVID-19 and proclaim until further notice or until modified by further proclamation or action by the Common Council of the City of Muskego.

Kathy Chiaverotti, Mayor

3/18/2020

Date