CITY OF TUCSON, ARIZONA

PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR

DECLARING A CONTINUING EMERGENCY OR LOCAL EMERGENCY RELATED TO COVID-19

AND EXTENDING ADVISORIES AND ORDERS NECESSARY FOR PUBLIC SAFETY

AND TO MITIGATE THE SPREAD OF COVID-19

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, the Tucson Charter, Chapter VI, Section 5 empowers the Mayor of the City of Tucson, Arizona to govern the City by proclamation during times of great danger; and

WHEREAS, A.R.S. § 26-311(A) provides that in addition to the powers granted by the Tucson Charter or other provisions of law, the Mayor may by proclamation declare an emergency or local emergency to exist due to any natural or man-made calamity or disaster, or by reason of threats or occurrences of riots, routs, affrays, or other acts of civil disobedience which endanger life or property within the City; and

WHEREAS, A.R.S. § 26-311(B) provides that if an emergency is declared by the Mayor as described above, the Mayor shall govern by proclamation during that emergency and shall have the authority to impose all necessary regulations to preserve the peace and order of the City; and
WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, the Mayor and Council of the City of Tucson, by unanimous vote: (1) confirmed their endorsement of the Mayor’s March 17 declaration of a local emergency, (2) declared that the COVID-19 outbreak constitutes a continuing local emergency that endangers life and property within the City of Tucson, and requires extraordinary measures to protect public health and safety; (3) approved the Mayor’s ongoing use of her emergency powers under Arizona law; and (4) urged Governor Ducey to take additional actions to protect the people of Arizona from the COVID-19 outbreak; and

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2020, the undersigned, the Mayor of the City of Tucson, Arizona, issued a Proclamation declaring a continuing emergency or local emergency, and included in that Proclamation various Orders and Advisories that were ordered to be in effect from March 28, 2020 through April 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 30, 2020, Governor Ducey issued his Executive Order No. 2020-18, entitled “Stay Home, Stay Healthy, Stay Connected,” ordering the closure of non-essential businesses and directing all individuals in Arizona to limit their time away from their place of residence, with certain exceptions for Essential Activities, Essential Functions, and Essential Businesses; and

WHEREAS, Governor Ducey’s orders under Executive Order No. 2020-18 are in effect, statewide, until April 30, 2020, unless extended;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, AS FOLLOWS:
SECTION 1. I, REGINA ROMERO, Mayor of the City of Tucson, Arizona, do hereby declare, pursuant to A.R.S. § 26-311, Chapter VI, Section 5 of the Tucson Charter, and Tucson Code Section 11-101, that an emergency, civil emergency and/or local emergency now exists and/or continues to exist in connection with the COVID-19 outbreak, as further described in the preceding Recitals and in the Recitals of my Proclamation dated March 27, 2020, which are incorporated herein by this reference.

SECTION 2. Effective immediately, the Orders and Advisories included in Section 3 of the March 27, 2020 Proclamation of the Mayor, together with the provisions of Sections 4 through 7 of that Proclamation, are hereby extended so that they remain in full force and effect through and including April 30, 2020.

SECTION 3. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 26-317, a person who violates any regulation or prohibition imposed under this Proclamation and/or under Chapter 26 of the Arizona Revised Statutes shall be guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. Any violation that is continuing in nature shall constitute a separate offense on each successive date the violation continues, unless otherwise provided.

SECTION 4. Certain boards, committees and commissions of the City, whose operations and functions are critical to the development review process or for the consideration or review of City grants or other financial assistance, may schedule and conduct meetings so long as those meetings are conducted remotely through technological means and do not result in a public gathering. The restrictions that normally
apply to these boards, committees and commissions that limit the number of voting members who can appear remotely are temporarily suspended.

PROCLAIMED at ___ a.m./p.m. this 17th day of April, 2020.
at ___ o’clock p.m.

REGINA ROMERO
Mayor of the City of Tucson

Attest:
ROGER W. RANDOLPH
City Clerk

Approved as to form:
Mike Rankin
City Attorney