AMENDED ORDER OF THE HEALTH OFFICER FOR THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE AND OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER AS DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES OPENING GOLF COURSES FOR LIMITED USE

DATE OF ORDER: MAY 1, 2020

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTIONS 101030, 101040, 101085, AND 120175, TITLE 17 CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS SECTION 2501, ARTICLE XI OF THE CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION; CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 8610, 8630, 8634, AND 8665; AND RIVERSIDE COUNTY CODE SECTIONS 442 AND 533.6, THE HEALTH OFFICER OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE ("HEALTH OFFICER") ORDERS:

- 1. On April 2, 2020, all golf courses in the County of Riverside, whether public or private, and their ancillary use areas, which include but are not limited to parking areas, clubhouses, driving ranges, practice putting greens, and food and beverage service areas, were closed through **June 19, 2020**, pending further Order of the Public Health Officer.
- 2. Effective immediately, the Health Officer for the County of Riverside and the County Executive Officer as Director of Emergency Services hereby Order that all golf courses in the County of Riverside, whether public or private, **may be opened for limited use, as outlined herein.** Golf may resume on all golf courses, whether public or private. Golf play may occur in groups of no more than four (4) persons and social distancing practices shall always be followed by participants. No caddies are permitted.

In order to open for play, all public and private golf courses shall fully implement the "Park and Play: Making Your Course Social Distance Ready" Program developed by the National Golf Course Owners Association and attached to this Order as "Exbibit A" and found at:

https://higherlogicdownload.s3.amazonaws.com/NGCOA/88142cfb-5094-4fc1-b917-ac6b2ce0c68b/UploadedImages/Coronavirus/park and play flyer 041720.pdf

For purposes of this Order, "social distancing" requires that a six-foot separation from all persons, except for household members and medical providers with the appropriate personal protection equipment, be maintained at all times in order to reduce the spread of infections, including the COVID-19 virus. Only one person per golf cart is permitted.

- 3. No large gatherings, including but not limited to tournaments or fundraisers, shall be held by, hosted by, or occur at any golf course, either public or private, at any time before **June 20, 2020**, pending further Order of the Public Health Officer.
- 4. This Order requires that social distancing must be practiced in all ancillary use areas of a golf course, including but not limited to parking areas, clubhouses, driving ranges, and practice putting greens.
- 5. Face coverings, such as scarves (dense fabric, without holes), bandanas, neck gaiter, or other fabric face coverings, must always generally be worn by those working at or playing

on a golf course, either public or private, and in all ancillary use areas. However, a face covering must be available, but its use discretionary, when playing golf if the golfers always stay more than six feet from each other, where players are limited to household members, or when a medical provider has advised a face covering should not be used. All persons are discouraged from using Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), such as N95 masks, for non-medical reasons.

- 6. A strong recommendation is made that all persons who are 65 years old or older, have a chronic underlying condition, or have a compromised immune system self-quarantine themselves at home.
- 7. Pursuant to this Order, food and/or beverage services provided by a golf course, either public or private, may operate **only for delivery or pick-up orders** and social distancing practices must be maintained at all times. No in-person dining shall be permitted.
- 8. This Order shall not be seen to restrict the ability of a golf club and/or golf course to continue landscaping and maintenance efforts in any way. Similarly, this Order shall not be understood to restrict the ability of a golf club and/or golf course to maintain minimum business operations, such as security.
- 9. To the extent that any golf club and/or golf course includes a gym, fitness center, beauty salon, or spa, these amenities shall be and shall remain closed.
- 10. This Order shall not restrict the ability of individuals to walk a golf course for exercise, if permitted by the golf course/club, so long as social distancing practices are maintained at all times.
- 11. This Order is issued as a result of the worldwide pandemic of COVID-19 disease, also known as "novel coronavirus," which has infected over two million individuals worldwide in over 185 countries and is implicated in over 217,000 worldwide deaths, including over 3,700 cases and 140 deaths in Riverside County. These numbers increase significantly every day.
- 12. This Order is issued based on evidence of increasing transmission of COVID-19 both within the County of Riverside and worldwide, scientific evidence regarding the most effective approach to slow transmission of communicable diseases generally and COVID-19 specifically, as well as best practices as currently known and available to protect the public from the risk of spread of or exposure to COVID-19.
- 13. This Order is intended to address the strain upon the health care system from the effects of the COVID-19 virus. Similarly, this Order is intended to reduce the likelihood of exposure to COVID-19, thereby slowing the spread of COVID-19 in communities worldwide.

- 14. This Order is issued in accordance with, and incorporates by reference, the: March 4, 2020 Proclamation of a State Emergency issued by Governor Gavin Newsom; the March 8, 2020 Declaration of Local Health Emergency based on an imminent and proximate threat to public health from the introduction of novel COVID-19 in Riverside County; the March 10, 2020 Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside proclaiming the existence of a Local Emergency in the County of Riverside regarding COVID-19; the March 10, 2020 Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside ratifying and extending the Declaration of Local Health Emergency due to COVID-19; Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-33-20 of March 19, 2020 ordering all persons to stay at home to protect the health and well-being of all Californians and to establish consistency across the state in order to slow the spread of COVID-19; The Governor and the County Public Health Officer continue to issue COVID-19-related orders to mitigate the public health crisis.
- 15. This Order comes after the release of substantial guidance from the Health Officer, the California Department of Public Health, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and other public health officials throughout the United States and around the world.
- 16. This Order is made in accordance with all applicable State and Federal laws, including but not limited to: Health and Safety Code sections 101030, et seq.; Health and Safety Code sections 120100, et seq.; and Title 17 of the California Code of Regulations section 2501. More specifically, Health and Safety Code section 120175.5(b) which provides that all governmental entities in the county shall take necessary measures within the governmental entity's control to ensure compliance with this Order and to disseminate this Order to venues or locations within the entity's jurisdiction where gatherings may occur.
- 17. Violation of this Order is subject to fine, imprisonment, or both. (Penal Code section 19; Government Code sections 8665 and 25132; Health and Safety Code section 120295; County Ordinances 533 and 556.)
- 18. To the extent necessary, pursuant to Government Code sections 26602 and 41601 and Health and Safety Code section 101029, the Health Officer requests that the Sheriff and all Chiefs of Police in the County ensure compliance with and enforcement of this Order.
- 19. Copies of this Order shall promptly be: (1) made available at the County of Riverside Health Administration office located at 4065 County Circle Drive, Riverside, CA 92503; (2) posted on the County of Riverside Public Health Department's website (rivcoph.org); and (3) provided to any member of the public requesting a copy of this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED:

Dr. Cameron Kaiser, MD, MPH, FAAFP

Public Health Officer County of Riverside

Dated: April 29, 2020

EMERGENCY REGULATIONS

As Director of Emergency Services for the County of Riverside, I am authorized to promulgate regulations for the protection for life and property pursuant to Government Code section 8634 and Riverside County Ordinances 442 and 533. The following shall be in effect for the duration of the County of Riverside Health Officer's Order issued above which is incorporated in its entirety by reference. The County of Riverside Health Officer's Order shall be promulgated as a regulation for the protection of life and property.

Any person who violates or refuses or willfully neglects to obey this regulation is subject to civil enforcement actions, including civil penalties of up to \$1,000 per violation per day, injunctive relief, and attorneys' fees and costs, imprisonment, or both, pursuant to Government Code section 8665.

George Johnson

County Executive Officer

Director of Emergency Services

County of Riverside

Approved as to form and legality:

Gregory P. Priamos

County Counsel

County of Riverside

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