



Salt River
PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY
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LOCAL EMERGENCY DECLARATION

****COVID-19****

Eighth Directive – May 19, 2021

UPDATED DIRECTIVE FOR BUSINESSES WITHIN THE COMMUNITY

TO PROTECT AND DEFEND THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF THE ONK AKIMEL O'ODHAM AND XALYCHIDOM PIIPAASH, RESIDENTS, COMMUNITY EMPLOYEES, BUSINESSES AND VISITORS OF THE SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY THROUGH UPDATED DIRECTIVES FOR BUSINESSES WITHIN THE COMMUNITY PER THE CDC'S MAY 13, 2021 GUIDANCE.

WHEREAS, to protect the health and welfare of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community (the "Community" or "SRPMIC") on March 18, 2020, a Local Emergency Declaration for COVID-19 was issued to lessen the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, followed by additional directives that to-date have almost all been rescinded except the Second Directive of June 19, 2020 *Keep the Community Safe—Wear Face Coverings*, and the Seventh Directive of April 7, 2021 *Steps Towards a New Normal* (the "SRPMIC Directives"); and

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 virus a public health emergency of international concern and Arizona Governor Douglas Ducey declared a state of emergency for the State of Arizona on March 11, 2020 and issued subsequent directives (the "Arizona Directives") that to-date are rescinded; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 is a serious public health threat to the Community and as of May 17, 2021 the Arizona Department of Health Services and local public health departments have identified 873,446 cases of COVID-19 with 17,466 deaths in the state and within the Community 1,209 cases of COVID-19 have been identified and 38 deaths; and

WHEREAS, throughout the COVID-19 pandemic the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (the "CDC") issued health and prevention guidance that has been generally incorporated into the SRPMIC Directives and the Arizona Directives; and

WHEREAS, the CDC and Arizona have taken the positions that immunization with a safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine is a critical component of the strategy to

reduce COVID-19 related illnesses, hospitalizations, and deaths and to help restore societal functioning; and

WHEREAS, on May 13, 2021, CDC issued guidance saying that fully vaccinated people can resume activities without wearing a mask or physically distancing; and

WHEREAS, the Community is distributing COVID-19 vaccines to persons within its jurisdiction and 29% of all Community members within Arizona have been vaccinated; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the local emergency declaration process under Chapter 1, Article V, Section 1-500 of the Community's Code of Ordinances, continued measures are required to safeguard the Onk Akimel O'Odham and Xalychidom Piipaash, residents, Community employees, businesses and visitors of the Community from the COVID-19 pandemic by putting in place reasonable measures to keep the unvaccinated safe and issue new directives for face coverings; and

WHEREAS, the Community, working with its combined strength, unity and commitment, will work to protect the health and welfare of the Community against COVID-19.

NOW THEREFORE the **SRPMIC Local Emergency Declaration for COVID-19 of March 18, 2020 remains in effect**, and I, along with the Council, hereby issue the following:

1. **Businesses operating within the Community.** Effective May 19, 2021 at 5:00 p.m., business located on the SRPMIC are exempt from the SRPMIC Directives and must operate in compliance with CDC guidelines, but may impose more restrictive measures at its discretion for the health and safety of its employees and patrons.
2. The SRPMIC Directives remain in effect until further notice.

May 19, 2021
Date

SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA
INDIAN COMMUNITY

Martin Harvier
Martin Harvier, President

Attest:

Erica Harvier
Erica Harvier, Secretary

