CITY OF GREENWOOD, MINNESOTA

Mayoral Proclamation Declaring A Local Emergency and Nighttime Curfew

WHEREAS, the Mayor of Greenwood finds the following factual situation exists:

1. The cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minnesota, have experienced widespread civil unrest since at least May 26, 2020.
2. Said civil unrest has included violent and destructive acts that have placed public safety at risk and resulted in catastrophic property damage.
3. South Lake Minnetonka Police Department (SLMPD) personnel and emergency first-responders expect violent and destructive acts of civil unrest to continue and escalate without invocation of certain portions of the City's emergency management plan.

WHEREAS, the Mayor finds that the factual situation is sudden, unforeseen and could not have been reasonably anticipated as it currently exists; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor finds that the factual situation threatens the health, safety and welfare of the residents of and the property within the City of Greenwood; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor finds that conditions within the City of Greenwood have the potential to worsen quickly and without notice due to the factual situation; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor finds that the traditional governmental processes are unable to appropriately protect the safety and property of the general public.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 12.29, the Mayor of Greenwood proclaims and declares a local emergency effective 5pm on May 30, 2020. Under state law, this declaration shall last no longer than three days unless extended by and through the consent of the Greenwood City Council.

This declaration immediately invokes the establishment of a City-wide nighttime curfew, consistent with Governor Walz's Executive Order 20-65, for all persons within the City of Greenwood for two nights starting tonight, May 30 at 8pm continuing to 6am May 31. The second day of the curfew will begin on May 31 at 8pm lasting to 6am on June 1.

During curfew, no travel is allowed in any public street or place. Exemptions include all law enforcement, fire and medical personnel, and members of the news media, as well as other personnel authorized by the SLMPD, Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Minnesota State Patrol, or Minnesota National Guard. Other exemptions include individuals traveling directly to and from work, seeking emergency care, fleeing danger, or experiencing homelessness.

PROCLAIMED this 30th day of May, 2020.

Debra J. Kind
Mayor, City of Greenwood