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**Emergency Order**  
**(Effective June 1, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.)**

I, Matt John, Mayor of the City of Bennington, pursuant to the Emergency Management Act, Neb. Rev. Stat. §81-829.50, have declared a State of Local Emergency by Proclamation dated June 1, 2020 and in accordance therewith issue this Emergency Order providing for restrictions on activities and imposing a curfew which is necessary for the protection of the public health, safety, property, and welfare of the citizens of Bennington.

Therefore, it is hereby Ordered and Declared pursuant to the authority of Neb. Rev. Stat. §81-829.50 that:

1. A curfew is imposed from 8:00 p.m. until 6:00 a.m. within the City limits of the City of Bennington. During the hours of the curfew, no person shall be upon any public street, avenue, boulevard, sidewalk, alley, park or other public place.
2. No gatherings in excess of twenty-five (25) persons may occur on any public street, avenue, boulevard, sidewalk, alley, park or outdoor place, except persons who are awaiting transportation, engaging in recreational activities at a usual and customary place, or peaceably entering or leaving buildings.
3. This Order shall not apply to law enforcement personnel, fire and medical personnel, members of the media, individuals travelling to or from work, individuals providing emergency medical care, persons experiencing homelessness, or other personnel authorized by the City of Bennington, the Nebraska State Patrol, or Nebraska National Guard.
4. For purposes of this Order, "public place" means any outdoor place or area, whether on privately or publicly owned property, accessible to the general public.
5. This Emergency Order shall remain in effect until 6:00 a.m. on June 4, 2020, unless renewed, extended, or terminated by subsequent order. Failure to comply with this Order shall result in orders to disburse and the imposition of penalties, fines, and other remedies as provided for by law.

Dated this 1st day of June, 2020.

  
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Mayor Matt John



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### **Proclamation of Local Emergency**

WHEREAS, protests and riots have erupted across the country in response to the recent death of George Floyd, a man in Minneapolis who died in police custody; and

WHEREAS, demonstrations in other areas of the country have also escalated; and

WHEREAS, gatherings in the major metropolitan areas of Omaha and Lincoln on recent nights subsequently resulted in people engaging in acts of vandalism, property damage, and rioting; and

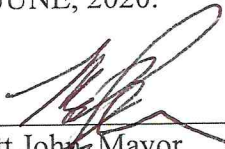
WHEREAS, as a result of the civil disturbances that have occurred in Omaha and Lincoln, a significant amount of criminal behavior has occurred including shootings, violence against first responders and peaceful protesters, vandalism of public and private property, looting of businesses and the failure to follow the lawful dispersal orders of law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, much of the civil unrest, violence, destruction of property, and criminal behavior has taken place under the cover of darkness; and

WHEREAS, there are some imminent threats of such civil unrest, violence, destruction of property, and criminal behavior occurring in the City of Bennington.

THEREFORE I, Matt John, the Mayor of the City of Bennington, Nebraska, hereby proclaim that as of June 1, 2020 a state of local emergency exists within the City of Bennington for the purpose of activating all applicable emergency authority and operations, to deal with this emergency.

DATED THIS 1<sup>st</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2020.

  
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Matt John, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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