

# GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

## ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUANCE SYSTEM

Mayor's Order 2021-004  
January 11, 2021

**SUBJECT:** Extension of Paused Activities and Clarification of Duration of Public Emergency and Public Health Emergency

**ORIGINATING AGENCY:** Office of the Mayor

By virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the District of Columbia pursuant to section 422 of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973, Pub. L. 93-198, 87 Stat. 790, D.C. Official Code § 1-204.22 (2016 Repl.); section 5 of the District of Columbia Public Emergency Act of 1980, effective March 5, 1981, D.C. Law 3-149, D.C. Official Code § 7-2304 (2018 Repl.); Mayor's Orders 2021-002 and 2021-003; section 5 of the District of Columbia Public Emergency Act of 1980, effective March 5, 1981, D.C. Law 3-149, D.C. Official Code § 7-2304 (2018 Repl.); section 5a of the District of Columbia Public Emergency Act of 1980, effective October 17, 2002, D.C. Law 14-194, D.C. Official Code § 7-2304.01 (2018 Repl.); section 1 of An Act To Authorize the Commissioners of the District of Columbia to make regulations to prevent and control the spread of communicable and preventable diseases ("Communicable and Preventable Diseases Act"), approved August 11, 1939, 53 Stat. 1408, D.C. Official Code §§7-131 *et seq.* (2018 Repl.); the Coronavirus Public Health Extension Emergency Amendment Act of 2020, effective Dec. 21, 2020, D.C. Act A23-0524, 67 DCR 14747 and Mayor's Orders 2020-050, 2020-063, 2020-066, 2020-067, 2020-079, 2020-103, and 2020-127, it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

### **I. BACKGROUND**

1. The findings of prior Mayor's Orders relating to the public emergencies are hereby incorporated.
2. More than 22 million Americans have been infected with COVID-19 and more than 373,000 have died from the disease. We have hit a new record in the District, with transmission at 41.22 new cases per 100,000 persons; total infections in the District have risen to 31,993, and tragically, 821 District residents have lost their lives due to COVID-19.
3. On December 18, 2020, Mayor's Order 2020-127 instituted a pause of certain Phase Two activities during the holiday period from 10:00 p.m. on December 23, 2020 until 5:00 a.m. on Friday, January 15, 2021.
4. This Order extends the pause in Phase Two activities for public safety and health reasons, and Section VII of Mayor's Order 2020-127 is modified to correspond with Council legislation's effective date and duration.

**II. PAUSE EXTENDED**

The Phase Two activities paused by Mayor's Order 2020-127 (December 18, 2020) shall remain paused until 5:00 a.m. on January 22, 2021, in the interest of public health and safety.

**III. PUBLIC EMERGENCY AND PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY DURATION**

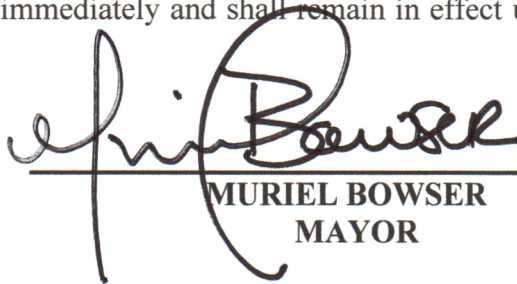
Section VII of Mayor's Order 2020-127 is modified to correspond with the duration of the Coronavirus Public Health Extension Emergency Amendment Act of 2020, D.C. Act 23-0524, effective December 21, 2020, such that the public emergency and public health emergency declared by Mayor's Order 2020-045 and 2020-046, respectively, are extended through March 17, 2021.

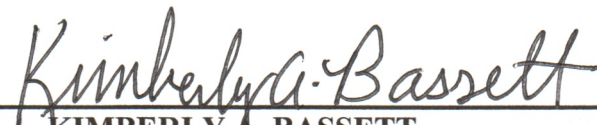
**IV. ENFORCEMENT**

1. Any individual or entity that knowingly violates this Order may be subject to civil and administrative penalties authorized by law, including sanctions or penalties for violating D.C. Official Code §7-2307, including civil fines or summary suspension or revocation of licenses.
2. The District of Columbia reserves the right to exercise provisions of the Communicable and Preventable Diseases Act, approved August 11, 1939, 53 Stat. 1408, D.C. Official Code §§7-131 *et seq.*, if warranted, and to issue regulations providing for civil and criminal penalties and injunctive relief for violations of this Order.

**V. EFFECTIVE DATE AND DURATION**

This Order shall become effective immediately and shall remain in effect until 5:00 a.m. on January 22, 2021.

  
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MURIEL BOWSER  
MAYOR

ATTEST:   
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KIMBERLY A. BASSETT  
SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA