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Government of the City of North Canton, Ohio

Mayor's Order 2020 – 07 December 4, 2020

Subject: Closure of government building(s) to the public during public health emergency –

Coronavirus (COVID – 19) Stark County Purple Status

Originating Agency: Office of the Mayor

By the authority vested in the Mayor of the City of North Canton pursuant to the Charter of the Municipality of North Canton, Ohio, 2018 it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

1. Emergency Measures for Public Health and Safety

- A. It is essential that the spread of COVID-19 be slowed to protect the ability of public and private health care providers to safeguard the public, health, safety and welfare of persons living or otherwise present in the City of North Canton, Ohio.
- B. Nothing is more important during these challenging times than the health, and well-being of our employees, citizens, and greater communities. For that reason, I am closing City Hall beginning 4:30 pm Friday, December 4, 2020 until further notice. Only employees or designated workers will be permitted in the building.
- C. By making this decision now, we can better ensure the safety of our employees and public. As we continue to navigate a rapidly evolving situation and follow in accordance with guidance from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Ohio Governor Michael DeWine, Ohio Department of Health and Stark County Health Department.
- D. While City Hall will be closed to public access, City services will continue to operate. The public can still find what they need online for utilities, zoning permits, payments, income tax, and business can be conducted by mail, e-mail, phone, internet or personally delivered into the drop off receptacle located at the rear entrance to City Hall.
- E. North Canton Police Department will continue to respond to calls for service. To comply with social distancing and to avoid the spread of COVID-19 non-violent or non-action type reports will be received by phone. However, walk in reports (i.e. victim of a violent crime) will be safeguarded for police assistance. For assistance contact the police department at 330-499-5911.

- F. North Canton Fire Department and EMS response will continue uninterrupted. Callers for service need to be specific in detail especially with signs of COVID-19. When calling 911be specific about your need for police, fire, or emergency medical services.
- G. The Building Permits and Inspection Department counter are temporarily closed. The Department will continue to issue permits and schedule inspections as needed. Remote or virtual inspections are available, especially for occupied homes which will be conducted virtually, electronic plan reviews, contract registrations and fee payments can be paid online and does not require an in-person visit. For assistance please call 330-499-5557.
- H. Stark County Health Department recommendations to help stop the spread of the coronavirus remain:
 - 1. Wash your hands frequently for at least 20 seconds with soap and warm water.
 - 2. Wear a mask or facial covering to prevent the spread to others.
 - 3.Keep a social distance of 6 feet between you and others when you must be in public.
 - 4. Stay home if you are sick, limit your time in public, and do not host or attend gatherings.

2. Duration of Order

This order shall remain in effect until further notice.

3. **Effective Date:** Friday, December 4, 2020 16:30 hours.

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