

JAMES BRAINARD, MAYOR

Executive Order 2020-05

WHEREAS, the City of Carmel, Indiana is threatened by a public health emergency created by the spread of the COVID-19 virus, and

WHEREAS, there is currently no known vaccination for the COVID-19 virus and it poses a present and serious health risk to Carmel residents; and

WHEREAS, I, as Mayor of the City of Carmel, Indiana have issued Executive Order 2020-01, declaring a local disaster emergency for the City of Carmel and forbidding all “non-essential” travel within our City; and

WHEREAS, President Trump and Governor Holcomb have both urged all citizens to follow “social distancing” and other health protocols during this health crisis; and

WHEREAS, I have recently received reports showing me that golf courses were not sanitizing golf carts, flag poles, tee boxes, ball washers and other golf course equipment and amenities, and golfers were not observing proper social distancing and other protocols recommended by health authorities, all contrary to the President’s, Governor’s, and my directives, and therefore unnecessarily putting Carmel residents at risk of becoming infected with and spreading the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, after receiving these reports, I, on March 26, 2020, pursuant to I.C. 10-14- 3-29 and 36-8-2-4, issued an emergency verbal Executive Order closing all golf courses located within the City of Carmel, effective as of 4:00 P.M. that date, until proper protocols could be established to protect public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to issuing my verbal Executive Order, and prior to reducing it to writing, I worked with golf course managers and medical professionals to create standard protocols that, if agreed to and strictly followed by golf courses, would serve to lift the closure directive contained in my Executive Order; and

WHEREAS, those standard protocols have now been established and will promptly be provided to the managers of all golf courses located within the City of Carmel and posted on the City’s website.

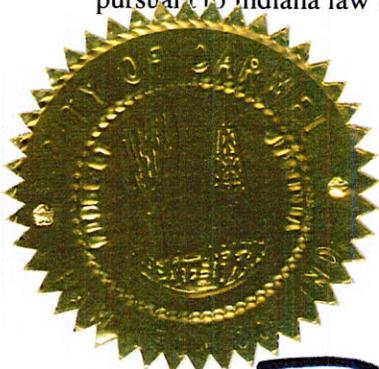
NOW, THEREFORE, under and pursuant to the powers invested in me by Indiana Code §§10-14-3-29 and 36-8-2-4, I hereby **DECLARE** and **ORDER** the following:

1. All golf courses located within the City of Carmel, Indiana shall remain **CLOSED** until further notice.
2. All golf courses located within the City of Carmel, Indiana that strictly abide by the standard protocols established by the City of Carmel for their operation shall be exempt from this closure order.

The written form of this Executive Order is executed on this 27th day of March, 2020, and shall remain in effect pursuant to Indiana law until further notice.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the seal of the City of Carmel to be affixed


James Brainard, Mayor



ATTEST: 
Douglas C. Haney, Corporation Counsel