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## **A PROCLAMATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF AMBERLEY VILLAGE, OHIO**

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**WHEREAS**, there has been an outbreak of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) across the United States of America and in the State of Ohio; and

**WHEREAS**, there have been multiple confirmed cases of COVID-19 across the State of Ohio; and

**WHEREAS**, the President of the United States Donald J. Trump has declared a national State of Emergency and the Governor of the State of Ohio, Michael DeWine, has declared a State of Emergency in Ohio (Executive Order 2020-OID) which, among other restrictions, has closed all schools in the State of Ohio and limits large indoor gatherings; and

**WHEREAS**, Governor DeWine's Declaration follows the Center of Disease Control and Prevention "Interim Guidance," recommending that all employers consider how best to decrease the spread of COVID-19, including the review of guidance from state and local health officials; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ohio Director of Health, Dr. Amy Acton, has issued a statewide Stay at Home Order to aid in the efforts to slow the spread of the Coronavirus; and

**WHEREAS**, the Hamilton County Board of Commissioners has declared a State of Emergency exists in Hamilton County related to COVID-19 that requires actions to be taken to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Hamilton County, where cases of the Coronavirus are being reported; and

**WHEREAS**, there is an urgent and immediate need to take emergency measures to maintain essential municipal operations, protect lives, homes, and property, and to ensure that basic needs of Amberley Village residents are met; and

**WHEREAS**, the result of the spread of COVID-19, pursuant to Village Code Section 37.01 through Section 37.99, presents a real and present emergency in Amberley Village affecting the public health and safety of residents; and



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**WHEREAS**, the Mayor of Amberley Village, under the provisions of Article IV, Section 1 of the Charter, is hereby authorized to all things necessary or advisable to maintain order and control in Amberley Village for the well-being, health and safety of residents.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Thomas C. Muething, Mayor of Amberley Village, do hereby proclaim that a State of Emergency exists in Amberley Village, Ohio, and that we hereby invoke and declare those portions of the Ohio Revised Code which are applicable to the conditions and have caused the issuance of this proclamation, to be in full force and effect in Amberley Village, for the exercise of all necessary emergency authority for protection of the lives and property of Amberley Village and the restoration of local government with a minimum of interruption.

This declaration of a State of Emergency shall activate the response and recovery aspects of any and all local disaster emergency plans which are applicable to Amberley Village, Ohio and shall initiate the rendering of aid and assistance thereunder as needed.

This declaration shall further allow for the purchase and acquisition of certain items and services by the Village Manager of Amberley Village to maintain essential municipal operations and deal with the present emergency without the requirement for competitive bidding, advertising and the pre-authorization of Village Council.

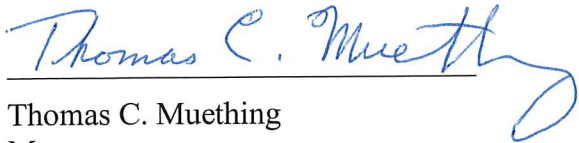
Reference is hereby made to all appropriate laws, statutes, ordinances and resolutions, and particularly to Section 5502.21 – 5502.99 of the Ohio Revised Code and Section 37.01 – 37.99 of the Amberley Village Code.

All public offices and employees of Amberley Village are hereby directed to exercise the utmost diligence in the discharge of duties required of them for the duration of the emergency and in execution of emergency laws, regulations, and directives--state and local.

All citizens are called upon and directed to comply with necessary emergency measures, to cooperate with public officials and disaster services forces in executing emergency operational plans, and to obey and comply with the lawful direction and properly identified officers.

All operating forces will direct their communications and requests for assistance and new operations directly to the Village Manager.

In witness, whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this 30<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020.

  
Thomas C. Muething  
Mayor