

## **EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-02**

### **COVID-19 Local State of Emergency Order Number 2**

#### **Village of Morton, Tazewell County, Illinois**

WHEREAS, I Jeffrey L. Kaufman, Village President of the Village of Morton, declared a local state of emergency in the Village of Morton on March 16, 2020, and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention issued guidelines recommending that for the next 8 weeks large events and mass gatherings that consist of 50 people or more be canceled or postponed, and

WHEREAS, the Village of Morton has recommended that all social gatherings be canceled or postponed, and

WHEREAS, social distancing can be an effective component of community mitigation activities to support slowing the spread of COVID-19, and

WHEREAS, peddlers, solicitors and itinerant merchants require permits from the Village of Morton to operate within the corporate limits of Morton, and

WHEREAS, the process of issuing solicitors, peddlers and itinerant merchants licenses within the Village of Morton and thereafter, the actions by peddlers, solicitors and itinerant merchants within the Village of Morton requires contact in excess of the recommended limits of social distancing, and

WHEREAS, the Village President of the Village of Morton believes that offering peddlers, solicitors and itinerant merchants licenses during a local state of emergency is not an essential public function, and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020, Governor J.B. Pritzker, in exercise of authority reserved to him under Sections 7(1), 7(8), and 7(12) of the Illinois Emergency Management Act, 20 ILCS 3305, ordered all bars and restaurants in the State of Illinois closed from the close of business March 16<sup>th</sup> through at least March 30<sup>th</sup>, and


WHEREAS, the Governor's directive regarding bars and restaurants authorized food service to be offered via drive through or curbside delivery, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary in order for the Village of Morton to clarify the circumstances and situations in which restaurants and bars can continue to provide food service via drive through or curbside delivery.

NOW THEREFORE, by the powers vested in me as the Village President of the Village of Morton and pursuant to Section 12-4-4 of the Morton Municipal Code, I, Jeffrey L. Kaufman hereby order as follows:

1. Beginning on March 17, 2020, all liquor licenses authorizing consumption on the premises of alcoholic liquor, beer or wine are hereby suspended through March 30, 2020.
2. Beginning March 16, 2020 at 9 p.m. through 11:59 p.m on March 30, 2020, all businesses in the Village of Morton that offer food or beverages for on-premises consumption – including restaurants, bars, grocery stores, and food halls – must suspend service for and may not permit on-premises consumption of food or beverages. Such business are permitted and encouraged to serve food so that it may be consumed off-premises through means such as in-house delivery, third-party delivery, drive-through and curbside pick-up. In addition, customers may enter the premises to purchase food for carry-out, however, establishments offering food for carry-out, including food trucks, must ensure that they have an environment where patrons maintain adequate social distancing. Hotel restaurants may continue to provide room service and carry-out. Catering services may continue. Liquor license holders who hold a package liquor license may continue to offer for sale package liquor for consumption off-premises in accordance with the Morton Municipal Code.
3. Beginning March 18, 2020, at 12:01 a.m. and continuing through March 30, 2020 at 11:59 p.m., all public and private gatherings in the Village of Morton of 50 people or more are prohibited for the duration of the Local State of Emergency Proclamation. A public or private gathering includes community, civic, public leisure, faith-based events, sporting events with spectators, concerts, conventions and any similar event or activity that brings together 50 or more people in a single room or a single space at the same time. This includes venues such as fitness centers/heath clubs, bowling alleys, private clubs, and theatres. This does not include venues that provide essential goods or services such as grocery stores, pharmacies, doctors offices, gas stations, banks or credit unions and shelters.
4. Beginning March 17, 2020 at 12:01 a.m. no peddlers licenses, itinerant merchants licenses, or solicitors licenses shall be available for issuance by the Village of Morton. All existing issued peddlers, itinerant merchants, or solicitors licenses are hereby suspended effective March 17, 2020 at 12:01 a.m. and continuing through March 30, 2020 at 11:59 p.m.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Jeffrey L. Kaufman, Village President of the Village of Morton whose name is signed instrument, on affirmation, signed and executed the instrument as Executive Order 2020-02, and that I signed willingly and that I executed it as my free and voluntary act for the purposes therein expressed.

  
Jeffrey L. Kaufman  
Village President, Village of Morton

**NOTARY ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

On this 16<sup>th</sup> of March, 2020, the above-named Village President personally appeared and acknowledged the foregoing to be his free act and deed, before me.

  
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Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 10/6/2020

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