ORDER OF THE STATE HEALTH OFFICER
SUSPENDING CERTAIN PUBLIC GATHERINGS
DUE TO RISK OF INFECTION BY COVID-19

(APPLICABLE STATEWIDE)

AMENDED APRIL 3, 2020
(with technical revisions dated April 10, 2020)

Explanation of April 10, 2020 Technical Revisions

On April 10, 2020, State Health Officer Dr. Scott Harris approved three technical revisions to the health order he signed on April 3, 2020, suspending certain public gatherings statewide due to the risk of infection by covid-19. These revisions are summarized as follows:

**Revision:** Paragraphs 1.e(ii) and 7 were changed to make those paragraphs (concerning permissible work and business operations) consistent with paragraph 1.a (concerning a citizen’s ability to leave his or her home to buy “necessary supplies”). To that end:

- In paragraph 1.e(ii), the word “products” was replaced with the phrase “‘necessary supplies’ (as that phrase is used in paragraph 1.a).”

- In paragraph 7, the phrase “may continue to operate” was replaced with the phrase “may continue to sell necessary supplies (as that phrase is used in paragraph 1.a).”

**Revision:** Paragraphs 4(b) and 7 were changed to reflect that in some work settings, close contact is unavoidable. To that end:

- In paragraph 4(b), the phrase “maintain a consistent six-foot distance between persons” was replaced with “maintain a six-foot distance between persons as work duties permit, consistent with guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.”

- In paragraph 7, the phrase “ensure a consistent six-foot distance between persons” was replaced with “maintain a six-foot distance between persons as work duties permit, consistent with guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.”

**Revision:** Paragraph 9 was changed to let the State Health Officer set the length of quarantine in light of frequently changing CDC guidance on the appropriate quarantine period and the need to allow some essential workers to return to work in a shorter period of time when medically appropriate. To that end:

- In paragraph 9, the phrase “or other period of time as directed by the State Health Officer, or his designee” was inserted after the phrase “for a period of 14 days.”