HUNKER DOWN ORDER IN ATQASUK, ALASKA
EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 18, 2020
UNTIL RESINDED

The COVID-19 pandemic has generated a public health emergency that threatens to overwhelm our health system, endangering the lives and wellbeing of our residents. We can take steps to slow and contain the threat, but those steps require coordinated community action. It is up to each and every individual selflessly to follow this order, village mandates, State Health Mandates, and CDC guidance to keep our region safe. Violating these requirements will endanger lives. This order is put forward to preserve the health and safety of our community while ensuring that vital goods and services continue to be available.

1. **Hunker Down.** Everyone currently in the village must stay at home as much as possible. The only other exceptions are those working on critical infrastructure and providing critical services during working hours; to buy, sell, or deliver necessary groceries or other important goods; to receive or provide necessary health care; and to conduct necessary subsistence activities while maintaining social distancing requirements. On the limited occasions when individuals leave home, they must maintain social distancing of at least six feet from any person outside their household. Only those reporting from certain critical jobs will be exempt. Children should have adult supervision to exercise out of home & get fresh air.

2. **Face Masks.** Individuals must wear masks or cloth face coverings over their noses and mouths when indoors in public settings and practice recommended hygiene, including regular hand washing and hand sanitization at all times while in public places.

3. **At-Risk Individuals.** It is strongly recommended, in accordance with Center of Disease Control (CDC) guidance, that certain individuals within the village should take even greater precaution. That includes people particularly at risk of complications from COVID-19 such as people 60 years and older, and individuals of any age with a serious underlying condition.

4. **Potential Exposure.** Household members who have been potentially exposed to COVID-19 and who are possibly contagious should be tested immediately and follow recommended quarantine measures to prevent a community outbreak.

5. **Essential Services.** Some businesses and entities serve critical roles that are necessary to combat this public health emergency or provide critical community functions are encouraged to remain open. Those businesses and entities must comply with social distancing guidelines, including maintaining six feet social distancing for employees and for members of the public in addition to conducting frequent sanitization.
6. **Non-Essential Businesses.** All other businesses and entities in the Borough remain closed; however, businesses and entities may continue to utilize telecommuting or work-from-home procedures if their employer permits it.

7. **Self-Responsibility.** The continuing health and safety of our region depends on self-responsibility and adherence to this emergency order, State and local mandates, and CDC guidance. Please take responsibility for yourself, your family and friends, and your community to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

8. **Stopping Community Spread.** Community spread from recent travel continues to pose the biggest infection threat to our community. Only you can help prevent community spread of COVID-19. If you have traveled or been in close contact (within 6 feet for more than 10 minutes) with someone who traveled recently, you must quarantine at home for 14 days without contacting people outside your household. If you have traveled out of Alaska, you must follow State of Alaska travel mandates upon your return:
(http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/Epi/id/SiteAssets/Pages/HumanCoV/FAQ_Travel.pdf)
If you have traveled outside the region without leaving Alaska, you must provide proof of a negative test within 72 hours of arrival or submit to testing as detailed.

This policy shall be effective December 18, 2020 and is effective until rescinded.

PRESENTED AND APPROVED THIS 17th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2020, BY A DULY CONSTITUTED QUORUM OF THE NATIVE VILLAGE OF ATQASUK TRIBAL COUNCIL WITH

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