



PUEBLO OF POJOAQUE

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PUEBLO OF POJOAQUE TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2020 - 062

PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER REQUIRING MASK USE DURING COVID-19 EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Pueblo of Pojoaque ("Pueblo") is a sovereign, federally recognized tribe;

WHEREAS, the Pueblo of Pojoaque Tribal Council ("Council") is the governing body of the Pueblo of Pojoaque;

WHEREAS, the Council is vested with all the power, authority, and responsibility for the health, safety, and welfare of all tribal members and the community; for the exercise of all governmental functions of the Pueblo; and for the overall direction and policy of the Pueblo;

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the State of New Mexico declared a public health emergency in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and the federal government declared a national state of emergency on March 13, 2020; and on March 17, 2020, the Pueblo of Pojoaque Tribal Council declared a State of Emergency related to the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, the Pueblo is starting a phased reopening of governmental offices and businesses based on guidelines from federal and state health authorities;

WHEREAS, to ensure continued protection of public health and welfare and reduce risk of disease transmission, the Pueblo of Pojoaque Tribal Council hereby mandates use of face masks by all persons within the exterior boundaries of the Pueblo in the following places:

- In public places, both indoor and outdoor (except in outdoor areas where people are not congregating or when exercising outdoors alone or with a household member)

- In all businesses, both public and private, including restaurants and bars, except when eating and drinking;

WHEREAS, public places do not include private vehicles, residences, individual business offices, or hotel rooms;

WHEREAS, masks must cover the nose and mouth;

WHEREAS, persons under the age of 2 and persons having trouble breathing who cannot remove a mask without assistance are not required to wear masks;

WHEREAS, employers and businesses may develop separate protocols and policies for employees, contractors, and customers as long as those protocols and policies are no less stringent than the requirements in this Order;

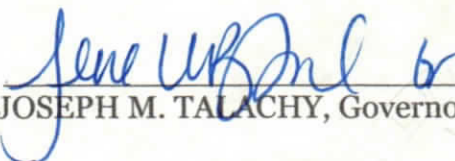
WHEREAS, any individual who fails to comply with this Order may be required to comply by any Tribal or business employee or representative; individuals who fail to comply may be removed from a business or public place and subject to any remedies available in the Pueblo of Pojoaque Law and Order Code; and

WHEREAS, this Order will expire when the Governor terminates the Pueblo COVID-19 Emergency Declaration; however, the Order will automatically be reinstated if the Governor reinstates the COVID-19 Emergency Declaration without need for further Tribal Council action unless the Tribal Council terminates or amends this Order.

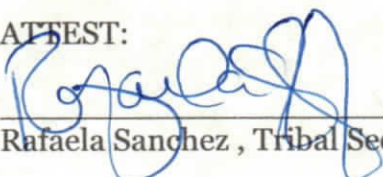
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council hereby issues this *PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER REQUIRING MASK USE DURING COVID-19 EMERGENCY*.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Pueblo of Pojoaque Tribal Council, at an emergency meeting on June 29, 2020, by the affirmative vote of 43 in favor, 0 opposed, and 1 abstained.

By: 
JOSEPH M. TALACHY, Governor

ATTEST:


Rafaela Sanchez, Tribal Secretary

