**CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER**

**STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION (EOC 100)**

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| 5. Prepared By:   | Name: Deanne Durfee |
|                   | Position: EOC Legal |

| 6. Approved By:   | Name: Evan Dreyer |
|                   | Position: EOC Director |

| 7. State of Emergency Declaration |

WHEREAS, over the past three months, the City and County of Denver (City) has seen a steady influx of approximately 600 migrants and asylum seekers arrive in the City without having any immediate plans for shelter;

AND WHEREAS, in the past week alone, the number of migrants and asylum seekers arriving in the City has numbered approximately 300, accounting for about half of the total number of migrants and asylum seekers arriving in the City, which influx is expected to continue;

AND WHEREAS, this dramatic recent increase in the influx of migrants seeking shelter and asylum from foreign countries has significantly increased the need to provide shelter, transportation, food and services, basic health and first aid needs, COVID-19 testing and associated medical care needed during quarantine and isolation and other supportive services within the State of Colorado and specifically within the City;

AND WHEREAS, many of the migrants and asylum seekers are coping with the effects of trauma and exhaustion, as well as other physical and mental health concerns;

AND WHEREAS, to accommodate the recent increase in migrants and asylum seekers arriving in the City, the City has closed programming in one recreation center to utilize the space for shelter and services, and is evaluating other spaces that may be used to accommodate additional persons as needed;

AND WHEREAS, the City forecasts dangerously low freezing temperatures in December and January, along with other inclement weather, such as snow and strong winds;

AND WHEREAS, the sudden increase in need to provide shelter, transportation, food and services, basic health and first aid needs, COVID-19 testing and associated medical care needed during quarantine and isolation and other supportive services is straining and exceeding current City resources;

AND WHEREAS, if migrants and asylum seekers continue to enter the City at, near, or more than the current rate, the City’s capacity to shelter and care for such persons will suffer additional strain and continue to exceed the City’s capacity;

AND WHEREAS, the City now faces an unprecedented humanitarian crisis that requires it to take extraordinary measures to meet the immediate needs of the asylum seekers;

How to use the EOC 100:

- **Purpose:** The EOC 100 documents the State of Emergency Declaration for the City and County of Denver.
- **When to use:** The EOC 100 is developed for any State of Emergency Declaration.
- **Prepared by:** EOC Coordinator/OEM Advisor
- **Routed to:** EOC City Attorney
- **Approved by:** EOC Director
- **Sent To:** Denver Clerk & Recorder, President of Denver City Council
- **Filed with:** EOC Documentation Unit
- **User Notes:** The EOC 100 is an official legal document. Ensure that the EOC 100 is properly filed and recorded with the Denver Clerk & Recorder’s Office.
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AND WHEREAS, the City has requested financial and other assistance from the state government as well as nonprofits and other community resources, including additional sheltering, food, transportation, and services;

AND WHEREAS, the City anticipates requesting financial and other assistance from the federal government;

AND WHEREAS, people and property are at risk based on the arrival of significant numbers of migrants and individuals and families seeking asylum, as described in the above paragraphs;

AND WHEREAS the risks posed as described herein require preparation and arrangements for food, shelter, transportation, infrastructure, and other humanitarian aid to protect the health, safety, or welfare of people within the City described herein.

I HEREBY DECLARE, pursuant to the State Constitution, the Colorado Disaster Emergency Act (C.R.S. 24-33.5-701, et seq.), the Charter and Ordinances of the City and County of Denver, and Chapter 16 of the Denver Revised Municipal Code that a STATE OF LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY in and for the City and County of Denver now exists and is so ordered, authorized, and approved.

BE IT KNOWN THAT the geographic area affected and to which this DECLARATION applies is known as the City and County of Denver, Colorado.

AND BE IT ALSO KNOWN THAT the Mayor of the City and County of Denver hereby advises the Governor of the State of Colorado and the population within the aforementioned described area that a STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY exists and that the Mayor of the City and County of Denver may exercise some or all of the powers allowed by the State Constitution, the Colorado Disaster Emergency Act (C.R.S. 24-33.5-701, et seq.), the Charter and Ordinances of the City and County of Denver, and Chapter 16 of the Denver Revised Municipal Code during this STATE OF LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY.

AND BE IT ALSO KNOW THAT this DECLARATION authorizes the City and County of Denver, its residents, and its businesses to apply for assistance from the State of Colorado, the Federal Government, or other available resources.

AND BE IT ALSO KNOW THAT this DECLARATION and STATE OF LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY will remain in force from December 15, 2022 to December 22, 2022 at 11:59 p.m. This DECLARATION will remain in effect for 7 days unless renewed or rescinded.

This DECLARATION is issued by:

☑ BY ORDER OF

[Signature]

Mayor of the City and County of Denver

Time: 10:30a

Date: 12/15/2022

ATTEST:

☑ I hereby attest to this DECLARATION:

[Signature]

Clerk and Recorder/Temporary Clerk of the City and County of Denver

Time: 10:46a

Date: 12/15/2022

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