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**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**
**AN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER**

**AN ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER DIRECTING THE CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER TO COORDINATE WITH THE COMMISSIONER OF THE ATLANTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, THE COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, AND THE CHIEF OF THE ATLANTA POLICE DEPARTMENT TO DISSEMINATE DIRECTION TO ALL PARKING ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS THAT THEY SHALL REFRAIN FROM TAKING ANY ACTION TO ENFORCE THE PARKING REGULATIONS SET FORTH IN CHAPTER 150, DIVISION 3 OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA CODE OF ORDINANCES THROUGH THE TOWING OF VEHICLES, AND/OR THE IMMOBILIZATION OF VEHICLES PARKED IN RESTRICTED AREAS OF THE CITY'S RIGHT OF WAY AS DESCRIBED IN CHAPTER 150, DIVISION 3 OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA CODE, FROM THE DATE OF EXECUTION OF THIS ORDER THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2020.**

**WHEREAS**, like much of the world the United States, the State of Georgia, and the City of Atlanta are currently responding to an outbreak of respiratory disease caused by a novel coronavirus named "SARS-CoV-2" and the disease it causes named "coronavirus disease 2019" (abbreviated "COVID-19"); and

**WHEREAS**, on March 11, 2020 the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020 the President of the United States announced a national emergency in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, which included two emergency declarations: one under the National Emergencies Act and one under the Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 14, 2020 Governor Brian Kemp signed a public health state of emergency to address the COVID-19 pandemic through assisting health and emergency management officials across Georgia by deploying all available resources for the mitigation and treatment of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, on March 15, I declared there to be an emergency in existence within the City of Atlanta pursuant to Section 2-181(a) of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 23, 2020 I declared there to be the existence of an emergency within the City of Atlanta and issued a Stay at Home Order under my emergency powers and which I have reissued in accordance with Section 2-181 of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances no more than every 72 hours thereafter; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 2, 2020, Governor Brian Kemp signed an Executive Order to Ensure a Safe and Healthy Georgia (Governor's Executive Order 04.02.20.01) to address the COVID-19

pandemic by implementing temporary actions necessary and appropriate to protect the health, safety, and welfare of Georgia's residents and visitors, which the Governor has continued to extend during the pendency of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of these emergency orders, the economy of the City of Atlanta has been severely impacted; and

**WHEREAS**, City of Atlanta parking enforcement officers are authorized to enforce the parking regulations set forth in Chapter 150, Division 3 of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances through the towing of vehicles, and/or the immobilization of vehicles parked in restricted areas of the City's right of way as described in Chapter 150, Division 3 of the City of Atlanta Code; and

**WHEREAS**, to help mitigate the negative financial impacts on those business entities and individuals experiencing negative impacts on revenue and incomes as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, on March 19, 2020 I issued Administrative Order 2020-06 by which the Chief Operating Officer was directed to coordinate with the Commissioner of the Atlanta Department of Transportation, the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works, and the Chief of the Atlanta Police Department to disseminate direction to all parking enforcement officers that they shall refrain from taking any action to enforce the parking regulations set forth in Chapter 150, Division 3 of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances through the towing of vehicles, and/or the immobilization of vehicles parked in restricted areas of the City's right of way as described in Chapter 150, Division 3 of the City of Atlanta Code, for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days; and

**WHEREAS**, Administrative Order 2020-06 was scheduled to expire on May 18, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the persistence of the COVID-19 pandemic crisis, there remained a critical need to assist the mitigation of the considerable financial hardships resulting therefrom; thus, on May 18, 2020, I issued Administrative Order 2020-13 which extended the moratorium on enforcing the parking regulations set forth in Chapter 150, Division 3 of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances through the towing of vehicles, and/or the immobilization of vehicles parked in restricted areas of the City's right of way, such that it would remain in effect through June 30, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the persistence of the COVID-19 pandemic crisis as of the expiration of Administrative Order 2020-13, on June 30, 2020, I issued Administrative Order 2020-24 which extended the moratorium on enforcing the parking regulations set forth in Chapter 150, Division 3 of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances through the towing of vehicles, and/or the immobilization of vehicles parked in restricted areas of the City's right of way, such that it would remain in effect through August 31, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the persistence of the COVID-19 pandemic crisis, there remains a critical need to assist the mitigation of the considerable financial hardships resulting therefrom; and

**WHEREAS**, accordingly, I am hereby directing the Chief Operating Officer to coordinate with the Commissioner of the Atlanta Department of Transportation, the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works, and the Chief of the Atlanta Police Department to disseminate direction to all parking enforcement officers that they shall refrain from taking any action to enforce the parking regulations set forth in Chapter 150, Division 3 of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances through the towing of vehicles, and/or the immobilization of vehicles parked in restricted areas of the City's right of way as described in Chapter 150, Division 3 of the City of Atlanta Code, from the date of execution of this order through October 31, 2020.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BY THE POWER VESTED IN ME AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA,** pursuant to Section 3-104 of the City of Atlanta Charter and Section 2-182(4) of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances, it is hereby ordered:

That the Chief Operating Officer shall coordinate with the Commissioner of the Atlanta Department of Transportation, the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works, and the Chief of the Atlanta Police Department to disseminate direction to all parking enforcement officers that they shall refrain from taking any action to enforce the parking regulations set forth in Chapter 150, Division 3 of the City of Atlanta Code of Ordinances through the towing of vehicles, and/or the immobilization of vehicles parked in restricted areas of the City's right of way as described in Chapter 150, Division 3 of the City of Atlanta Code, from the date of execution of this order through October 31, 2020.

**SO ORDERED,** this 28th day of August,2020.

Keisha Lance Bottoms, Mayor

ATTESTED:

Municipal Clerk

**Foris Webb, III**
**Municipal Clerk**