

CIVIL UNREST PUBLIC ORDER NO. 2020-2
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MANAGER ACTING AS THE DIRECTOR OF
EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF TORRANCE
AMENDING THE HOURS OF CURFEW CITYWIDE

WHEREAS, Section 16.2.4 of the Torrance Municipal Code declares that the City Manager of the City of Torrance is the Director of Emergency Services; and

WHEREAS, Section 16.2.5 of the Torrance Municipal Code empowers the City Manager of the City of Torrance as Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence of a local emergency when the City is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the City Council is not in session; and

WHEREAS, on May 30, 2020, I declared the existence of a local emergency due to civil unrest; and

WHEREAS, on May 30, 2020, I issued Public Order No. 2020-1 imposing a curfew citywide;

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 8634 empowers the City Council and delegated officials to promulgate orders and regulations necessary to provide for protection of life or property during a local emergency; and;

WHEREAS, the City Council has specifically delegated this authority to the City Manager as Director of Emergency Services in Chapter 6 of Division 1 of the Torrance Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, under conditions of the local emergency, it is deemed necessary in the interest of public safety to restrict the use of public areas of City of Torrance; and

WHEREAS, it is especially difficult to preserve public safety during the hours of darkness; and

WHEREAS, the City of Torrance has sent resources to the City of Los Angeles and the City of Santa Monica for mutual aid; and

WHEREAS, civil unrest has occurred in other cities in Los Angeles County throughout the night last night and throughout the day today and it is likely to occur again and potentially spread to the City of Torrance; and

WHEREAS, due to the continuing civil unrest in various cities in Los Angeles County and various cities in Orange County, life and property is deemed to be in peril, the curfew needs to be revised to protect life and property and speed is of the essence; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager acting as the Director of Emergency Services does hereby find

- 1) that due to the civil unrest, a curfew is necessary to preserve life and property; and
- 2) the City Council is not in session and cannot be immediately called into session

NOW THEREFORE IT IS ORDERED that Civil Unrest Public Order No. 2020-1 is amended to read in its entirety as follows:

1. A curfew will be in effect citywide starting at 6:00 p.m. on May 31, 2020. The curfew will be in effect every day between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. during the state of local emergency.
2. During the curfew hours of 6:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. that no person shall be upon the public street, avenue, alley, park, park parking lot, way, the Civic Center, Madrona Marsh, Torrance Beach, or other public place or unimproved public realty within the City of Torrance.
 - a. This curfew shall not apply to:
 - 1) Police officers, peace officers, firefighters, the National Guard or other military personnel, or other emergency personnel.
 - 2) Authorized representatives of any news service, newspaper, or radio or television station or network.
 - 3) People going directly to and from their place of employment.
 - 4) Employees of Essential Government Functions as defined by the County of Los Angeles Health Order of May 29, 2020.
 - 5) Individuals seeking medical treatment.
 - 6) People experiencing homelessness and without access to a viable shelter.
3. The law enforcement forces of the City of Torrance, along with the law enforcement authorities cooperating with the City of Torrance, are hereby authorized and charged, to the extent provided by law, with the responsibility of enforcing this curfew and are further authorized to arrest such persons that do not obey this curfew after due notice, oral or written, has been given to said persons. Any person not abiding by this declaration is guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to punishment in accordance with Torrance Municipal Code section 16.2.13 or Government Code section 8665.
4. This Order shall remain in effect until such time as it is terminated by either the Director of Emergency Services, the City Council of the City of Torrance, or the termination or expiration of the state of emergency.
5. Violation of this Order shall be punished as provided by Torrance Municipal Code Section 16.2.13, California Government Code Section 8665, or any applicable state or municipal law. The violation of any provision of this Order is declared to be a nuisance and may be abated by the City in accordance

with its authority to abate nuisances. The remedies listed in this Order are not exclusive of any other remedies available to the City under any applicable Federal, State, or local law and it is within the discretion of the City to seek cumulative remedies.

6. This Order shall apply Citywide until rescinded by the City Council or City Manager.

Date: 31 May 2010



LeRoy J. Jackson
City Manager and
Director of Emergency Services

Time: 5:19 pm