ORDINANCE NO.: 2020-029

Emergency Order to Temporarily Close all Public Parks and Facilities to Protect the Health, Safety and Welfare of our Residents and Visitors

WHEREAS, due to the current South Carolina State of Emergency concerns regarding COVID-19 and the impact it is having in the United States and global communities; and,

WHEREAS, given the potential devastation this pandemic can cause on our community along with the priority that the Mayor and Council of the City of Columbia place on the health, safety and welfare of our residents and visitors it is in the best interest of our citizens and visitors to take precautionary measures to prevent the continued spread of this virus by temporarily closing all public parks and facilities effective immediately; and,

WHEREAS, Sec. 2-86 of the Ordinances of the City of Columbia allows for the adoption of emergency ordinances on one reading without notice or hearing by affirmative two-thirds of the members present, and shall expire automatically on the 61st day following enactment; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, this 17th day of March, 2020 to temporarily suspend the use of all City parks and facilities. Parks and facilities shall be closed immediately; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this emergency ordinance to temporarily close all parks and facilities shall be terminated by the issuance of another ordinance or shall automatically expire on the 61st day after enactment of this ordinance.

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Mayor	Mayor
Approved by:	
City Manager	
Approved as to form:	ATTEST:
City Attorney	City Clerk

Introduced: 3/17/2020 Final Reading: 3/17/2020

Requested by: