WHEREAS, on the 19th day of March, 2020, I issued a Proclamation Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency for the City of Chandler finding that due to the President’s Proclamation of National Emergency dated March 13, 2020, the Governor’s Declaration of Emergency dated March 11, 2020, and Maricopa County’s Proclamation of Emergency dated March 18, 2020, as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak, the City of Chandler, County of Maricopa, State of Arizona, is facing a condition of extreme peril to life and property that necessitates the proclamation of the existence of an emergency and the provisions of my previous Proclamation remain in effect; and

WHEREAS, on May 12, 2020, the Governor of the State of Arizona, Douglas A. Ducey, issued Executive Order 2020-36, Stay Healthy, Return Smarter, Return Stronger rescinding certain prior Executive Orders to allow, with some exclusions, businesses to gradually open in compliance with federal guidelines, and advising any business profession or entity, both for-profit or non-profit, to develop, establish, and implement policies based on guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) to limit the spread of COVID-19 including, but not limited to, “promoting healthy hygiene practices;” and

WHEREAS, the transmission of COVID-19 has not dissipated but remains a significant threat to the health and safety of the City of Chandler community; and

WHEREAS, on June 17, 2020, the Governor of the State of Arizona, Douglas A. Ducey, issued Executive Order 2020-40, Containing the Spread of COVID-19 – Continuing Arizona Mitigation Efforts ordering that businesses update and enforce written policies adopted by the CDC and ADHS to limit and mitigate the spread of COVID-19, such as recommending that all persons wear face coverings in public where other physical distancing measures are difficult to maintain, and authorizing local jurisdictions to enact regulations to help limit the spread of COVID-19 such as requiring face coverings in public where appropriate; and

WHEREAS, this Proclamation is intended to conform with Governor Douglas A. Ducey’s Executive Order 2020-40, which encourages education and working to promote best practices to limit and mitigate the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, I call upon our community to come together and follow the guidelines provided by the CDC, Governor Douglas A. Ducey, and ADHS in caring for the health of themselves, their families and the Chandler Community so that we can significantly reduce the risk of our residents contracting and spreading the COVID-19 virus; and
WHEREAS, pursuant to the emergency powers vested in me as Mayor under Arizona Revised Statutes §26-311 and Chandler City Code §6-3.2, I have determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CHANDLER as follows:

Section 1. That in order to promote consumer confidence, all businesses shall institute policies in accordance with the CDC, Governor Douglas A. Ducey’s Executive Orders and Guidelines, ADHS, and any other guidelines and recommendations issued by regulatory authorities relating to COVID-19 to require all employees that interact with the public to wear a face covering and to require consumers to wear face coverings while engaging in face to face consumer activities.

Section 2. That all persons six years of age or older shall wear face coverings in accordance with the CDC guidelines in public places where persons are unable to maintain continuous physical distancing (6 feet or more) from others not in their household unless it is not practicable or feasible to wear a face covering.

Section 3. That it is the intent of this Proclamation to encourage education and voluntary compliance by businesses and citizens of Chandler about the guidelines and recommendations for reducing the spread of COVID-19.

Section 4. That the Proclamation shall take effect immediately and shall be considered for repeal or revisions every two weeks or until Governor Douglas A. Ducey repeals or revises Executive Order 2020-40.

ORDERED this the 19th day of June, 2020.

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CITY ATTORNEY