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Mayor Declares State of Emergency in Johnston

JOHNSTON, Iowa – Mayor Paula Dierenfeld declared a state of emergency in Johnston in response to the coronavirus (COVID-19). The declaration implements emergency purchasing procedures, waives certain contracting requirements and allows for modifications to existing human resource policies and practices and other steps necessary in response to this emergency.

“These are unprecedented times requiring extraordinary measures. In Johnston, we are prepared for emergencies, regardless of the form they take,” said Mayor Paula Dierenfeld. “With this proclamation, we are taking additional steps to protect the health and safety of Johnston residents and to combat the spread of COVID-19 in our community. I am confident that by all of us doing our part and working together, we will emerge from this pandemic even stronger as a community.”

The City of Johnston will continue to monitor the situation and make informed decisions that support public health and flatten the curve of COVID-19. View the state of emergency proclamation at <http://www.cityofjohnston.com/JohnstonEmergencyProclamation>

For more information about the City’s response to COVID-19, including what City facilities are closed or City services impacted, please regularly check the City’s website at www.cityofjohnston.com/COVID19.

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