

### **131.01 EMERGENCY POWERS.**

Whenever, ~~in his judgment,~~ the Mayor determines that an emergency exists as a result of any natural disaster or man-made calamity, or clear and present danger thereof, or riot, insurrection, mob action or other civil disturbance causing danger of injury or damages to persons or property, he **THE MAYOR** shall have power to impose by proclamation any or all of the following regulations necessary to restore the peace and order of the Municipality:

- (a) Prohibit or limit the number of persons who may gather or congregate upon the public highways, public sidewalks or any outdoor place, or in any theater, restaurant, place of public assembly or commercial establishment to which the public has access;
- (b) Restrict or prohibit movement within, above or beneath the area or areas which, in his judgment, are imperiled by the public danger or emergency;
- (c) Establish a curfew during such hours of the day or night as he deems advisable and prohibit persons from being out of doors during such curfew;
- (d) Prohibit or restrict the retail sale, distribution or giving away of gasoline or other liquid, flammable or combustible products in any container other than the gasoline tank properly affixed to a motor vehicle.
- (e) Order the closing of gasoline stations and other establishments engaged in the retail sale, distribution or dispensing or giving away of liquid, flammable or combustible products;
- (f) Prohibit or restrict the sale, distribution, dispensing or giving away of any firearms or ammunition of any character whatsoever;
- (g) Order the closing of any and all establishments or portions thereof engaged in the sale, distribution, dispensing or giving away of firearms and/or ammunition;
- (h) Prohibit or restrict the carrying or possession of a weapon or any object intended to be used as a weapon, including, but not limited to, firearms, bows and arrows, air rifles, sling shots, knives, razors, broken bottles, fire bombs, missiles of any kind, clubs, blackjacks, billies, chains or similar items on the public streets or public sidewalks or in any public park or square or any other public place;
- (i) Prohibit or restrict the retail sale, distribution, dispensing or giving away of acids, caustics or any chemicals or other substances capable of being used singly or in combination to cause injury or damage to persons or property;
- (j) Prohibit or restrict the retail sale, distribution, dispensing or giving away of any beer or alcoholic beverage;
- (k) Call upon regular and auxiliary law enforcement agencies and organizations within or without the Municipality to assist in preserving and keeping the peace within the Municipality.
- (l) Restrict, control, and/or discontinue water service to residential and commercial consumers if a water distribution problem has been identified by the City of Columbus or a state of water emergency proclaimed by the Mayor of Gahanna.
- (M) PROHIBIT ON-STREET PARKING OF VEHICLES ON CITY STREETS TO FACILITATE SNOW OR DEBRIS REMOVAL FOLLOWING A STORM OR OTHER WEATHER RELATED EVENT.**

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**EXHIBIT A**