ADDENDUM #2 TO
SAFER AT HOME ORDER FOR CONTROL OF COVID-19
Clarification of March 21, 2020 Health Order Regarding Essential Workers and Revision of Paragraph 13(o)
Date Order Issued: March 31, 2020

Please read this Order carefully. Violation of or failure to comply with this Order is a crime punishable by fine, imprisonment, or both. (California Health and Safety Code § 120295; Los Angeles County Code § 11.02.080.)

SUMMARY OF THE ORDER: The County of Los Angeles and its Department of Public Health have been notified that both the public and certain government employees are unclear about their roles during a declared emergency. This addendum to the County of Los Angeles Health Officer Order (Order) of March 21, 2020, clarifies that all government employees are essential workers during this pandemic. This addendum also revises Paragraph 13, subdivision (o), to clarify the definition of Essential Business under the Order.

UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTIONS 101040, 101085, AND 120175, THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HEALTH OFFICER ORDERS:

1. This addendum clarifies the March 21, 2020 County Health Officer Order by declaring all government employees to be essential, including, but not limited to, health care providers and emergency responders. Health care providers and emergency responders include employees who serve in the following areas: law enforcement; emergency services and management; first responder; fire; search and rescue; juvenile detention; corrections; healthcare services and operations; public health; laboratory or medical testing; mental health; community health; public works; executive management employees serving in these fields; all employees assigned to serve in or support the foregoing fields; and all employees whose services are otherwise needed to assist in a declared emergency. While all government employees are essential, the employees identified here and the others called to serve in their Disaster Service Worker capacity must be available to serve the public or assist in response or continuity of operations efforts during this health crisis to the maximum extent allowed under the law.

2. Paragraph 13, subdivision (o), is revised to read: "Non-manufacturing, transportation or distribution businesses that ship, truck, transport, or provide logistical support to deliver groceries, food, goods or services directly to residences, Essential Businesses, Healthcare Operations, and Essential Infrastructure;"

3. This Order incorporates by reference the March 21, 2020 County Health Officer Order.

4. To protect the public's health, the Health Officer may take additional action(s) for failure to comply with this Order.

IT IS SO ORDERED:

Muntu Davis, M.D., M.P.H.
Health Officer, County of Los Angeles

MARCH 31, 2020