



**CIVIL EMERGENCY ORDER
EXEMPTING RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS FROM CHAPTER 8.21 EMC**

WHEREAS,

A. In my capacity as Mayor, I proclaimed a civil emergency exists in the City of Everett in the Mayoral Proclamation of Civil Emergency dated March 4, 2020.

B. The facts stated in that proclamation continue to exist.

C. The civil emergency necessitates the utilization of emergency powers granted to the Mayor pursuant to chapter 9.02 EMC and chapter 38.52 RCW.

D. EMC 9.02.020.J authorizes the Mayor to proclaim “such other orders as are imminently necessary for the protection of life and property” and take extraordinary measures to protect the public peace, safety and welfare.

E. Chapter 8.21 EMC establishes certain restrictions on retail establishments concerning the use of carryout bags.

F. Due to the COVID 19 civil emergency, enforcement of the requirements of chapter 8.21 EMC places an undue hardship on retail establishments and creates a health hazard for the employees of such establishments.

BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF EVERETT, THAT:

I, CASSIE FRANKLIN, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF EVERETT, ACTING UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF CHAPTER 9.02 EMC, AND MY MAYORAL PROCLAMATION OF CIVIL EMERGENCY, DATED MARCH 4, 2020, HEREBY ORDER:

Retail establishments, as defined in EMC 8.21.010.B, are exempt from the requirements of chapter 8.21 EMC. This Order is effective immediately but must be ratified by the City Council at its March 25, 2020 Council meeting to remain in effect. If ratified, it shall remain in effect until April 22, 2020, unless earlier rescinded by the Mayor. This Order may be renewed after 30 days, subject to ratification by the City Council.

DATED this 23rd day of March, 2020.



MAYOR CASSIE FRANKLIN