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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (COVID-19) CURFEW (NO. 7) DIRECTIVE, 2020

WHEREAS by paragraph 15 of the *Emergency Management (Covid-19)* Order, 2020 (S.I. 2020 No. 16) it is provided that the Prime Minister on the advice of the Chief Medical Officer may issue a directive requiring every person within any area specified in the directive to remain indoors between such hours as may be specified;

AND WHEREAS a public health emergency exists in Barbados;

NOW THEREFORE by virtue of the power and the authority in me vested and on the advice of the Chief Medical Officer aforesaid I do hereby issue the following directive for the period from midnight on the 14th day of June, 2020 to midnight on the 28th day of June, 2020.

- 1. (1) A curfew is hereby imposed throughout Barbados every Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.
 - (2) No person, except an employee or member of an essential service, shall leave his residence between 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m every Friday, Saturday and Sunday.
 - (3) Every employee or member of an essential service shall have on his person at all times, evidence of his employment or membership, as the case may be, of such a service.
- 2. With effect from the 15th day of June, 2020 to midnight on the 28th day of June, 2020 every person and business establishment shall comply with this Directive.
- 3. No person shall leave his residence except to conduct business or to engage in an activity specified in this Directive.

- 4. (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (3), with effect from 15th day of June, 2020 every business establishment is hereby permitted to re-open and to conduct its business as it did on the day immediately preceding the 28th day of March, 2020, unless otherwise stipulated in respect of a business, organisation or sector thereof.
 - (2) Notwithstanding sub-paragraph (1), day care centres shall remain closed until 22nd day of June, 2020.
 - (3) The owner or operator of every business establishment shall
 - (a) follow strict distancing protocols for staff and customers;
 - (b) provide hand sanitising stations for staff and customers;
 - (c) restrict the number of persons within or outside that establishment at any one time in order to ensure that a distance of at least 6 feet is maintained between every person and also ensure that persons do not assemble otherwise than for the purpose of transacting business; and
 - (d) shall follow such other protocols that may be established by the Chief Medical Officer for the purpose.
- 5. (1) Every person is allowed to host or attend
 - (a) a private party;
 - (b) a recreational or competitive sporting event;
 - (c) a banquet, ball or reception;
 - (d) any social event;
 - (e) a meeting of a fraternal society, private or social club or civic association or organization.

- (2) A person who wishes to host any activity referred to in sub-paragraph (1) that exceeds 250 people shall first seek the permission of the Attorney General.
- (3) The host of an activity in sub-paragraph (1) shall provide hand sanitiser for guest and other persons in attendance.
- (4) A person who is attending an activity listed in subparagraph (1) shall follow strict distancing protocols and shall wear a face mask.
- 6. Sports and competitive events are permitted but spectators are not allowed.
- 7. No person shall visit any place of quarantine or an isolation station.
- 8. No person shall visit a prison or a Government Industrial School.
- 9. No more than one person at any time shall visit a patient in a hospital, nursing home, senior citizens' home and facilities for the treatment of persons with addiction or a dependency on drugs or a narcotic substance.
- 10. No person shall transmit a video recording or audio recording of any person or in any way make known to the public the identity of any person who is in quarantine or in an isolation station.
- 11. Parks and beaches shall be re-opened as they were on the day immediately preceding the 28th day of March, 2020 and a physical distance of at least 6 feet shall be observed between individuals, unless they are members of the same household.

- 12. Notwithstanding any provision of this Directive, the Prime Minister or Attorney General may direct any business, or organisation or sector thereof to cease to operate for the duration of this Directive.
- 13. Notwithstanding any provision of this Directive, no person shall leave his residence unless he has with him, his Barbados Identification Card, his driving licence or his passport or some other means of picture identification.
- 14. Every person shall present one of the means of identification mentioned in paragraph 13 when requested to do so by a person in authority.
- 15. The owner or operator of any business, or organisation or event who fails to comply with this Directive is liable to be ordered to cease to operate for the duration of this Directive.
- 16. A person who contravenes this Directive without reasonable explanation, is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of \$50 000 or to imprisonment for a term of one year or to both pursuant to paragraph 15(1) of the *Emergency Management (COVID-19) Order, 2020* (S.I. 2020 No. 16).
- 17. This Directive shall come into effect on the 15th day of June, 2020.

Made by the Prime Minister this 13th day of June, 2020.

MIA AMOR MOTTLEY
Prime Minister