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Renton Mayor Armondo Pavone Issues Proclamation of Local Emergency

RENTON, WA – Mayor Armondo Pavone has issued a proclamation of local emergency for Renton, Washington, due to public health impacts of the COVID-19 (Coronavirus).

The proclamation supports measures to be taken to protect public health, safety and welfare within the city.

Several patients in the region have tested positive for the COVID-19 (Coronavirus), and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) has issued warnings regarding the impacts and severity of this event. COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death and can easily spread from person to person.

On February 29, 2020, Washington Gov. Jay Inslee proclaimed that a State of Emergency exists in all counties in the state, and on March 1, 2020, King County Executive Dow Constantine signed a Proclamation of <u>Emergency</u> due to the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the county.

Because the City of Renton may require supplemental assistance if the severity of the event goes beyond the capabilities of local resources, the proclamation of emergency enables the city to call in additional resources. Additionally, it provides the mayor with the maximum flexibility to respond to this health crisis.

We encourage community members to help protect yourself as you would during any cold or flu season. The city will continue to keep residents informed with updates to the city website, rentonwa.gov, as well as Facebook (@CityofRenton) and Twitter (@CityofRenton) as information becomes available.

Information on the coronavirus in other languages is provided below and on the city's website.

Public Health - Seattle & King County Novel Coronavirus Fact Sheets

- Coronavirus (English) •
- Chinese, Traditional
- Korean •

- Spanish
- Vietnamese
- Somali
- Amharic

About the City of Renton

The City of Renton, Washington, with a population of 104,700 (2019), is located on the southeast shore of Lake Washington, just south of Seattle. Renton's strong economic base, diverse marketplace and favorable business climate have attracted the attention of nationally recognized companies that are providing employees and their families an outstanding quality of life. Renton is the home of Boeing, PACCAR, IKEA, the Seattle Seahawks, and the eternal resting place of Jimi Hendrix. More information can be found on our website, news releases, or Facebook, Twitter, and Nextdoor pages.

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