**TOWN OF BARRINGTON, RI**

**Ordinance 2021-11**

**RENEWAL OF**

**DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY**

Pursuant to Sec. 2-2-5 of the Barrington Home Rule Charter, on March 14, 2020, the Council declared the existence of an emergency. The basis for the Council’s emergency declaration was the danger to health and life posed by the novel coronavirus known as COVID-19, as set forth in the Governor’s Executive Order 20-02, dated March 9, 2020, declaring a state of emergency.

Since the Council’s declaration of emergency, the Governors have issued over one hundred and fifty - ~~eight~~ (as of March 19, 2021) further supplemental emergency declarations relating to the COVID-19 pandemic, and circumstances remain ~~dire~~ concerning both locally, statewide, and nationwide. Therefore, the Town Council deems it prudent to declare that a state of emergency continues to exist in Town, and hereby extends the end date of its original emergency declaration to August 3, 2021.

The substance of the Council’s original declaration of emergency remains in full force and effect, except to the extent that it has been superseded by an Executive Order of the Governor of the State of Rhode Island.

Subject to any restrictions of the Charter, the Town Council hereby delegates all of its authority, with the exception of financial and legislative, to the Town Manager to take any and all actions deemed necessary to address the ongoing emergency. The Town Manager shall report actions taken pursuant to this emergency declaration to the Council and to the public as soon as practicable, including ongoing updates on the Town’s website.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately and remain in full force and in effect until August 3, 2021.

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Council Member

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