

## POHNPEI STATE GOVERNMENT

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## **AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTIONAL EMERGENCY ORDER NO. 20-01**

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the Governor issued Constitutional Emergency Order No. 20-01 which declared a state of emergency for the State of Pohnpei in response to the imminent threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, due to the state of emergency, several measures were imposed by Pohnpei State to further safeguard and protect people of Pohnpei including health screening and quarantine; and

WHEREAS, ongoing efforts to implement current health measures for our people are critical at this stage. At present, additional quarantine facilities are urgently needed to address the growing number of persons in quarantine and other related issues; and

WHEREAS, the Territory of Guam, a major transit hub for travelers to Pohnpei, recently reported eight confirmed cases of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, under such circumstances, drastic measures need to be implemented; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I Reed B. Oliver, Governor of the State of Pohnpei, pursuant to the authority vested upon me under Article 13, Section 9 of the Pohnpei Constitution and pursuant to 8 PC 1-102(e), do hereby further amend the Constitutional Emergency Order 20-01 by amending Subsection (5) as follows:

"5a) No passenger is allowed entry into the state of Pohnpei with the exception of the following:

- i) Pohnpei residents- Pohnpei residents include noncitizens who are employed by the Pohnpei State Government, the FSM National Government, diplomatic corps, businesses, international agencies and nonprofit organizations.
- ii) Medical and technical personnel retained to assist with COVID-19, at the request of Pohnpei State.

Passengers who are allowed entry into Pohnpei will be required to have a medical certificate and will be quarantined for a mandatory 14 days; provided, however, the period of quarantine may be reduced as determined by the Department of Health Services based on required medical protocols and health measures.

5b) Crew of Search and Rescue vessels, cargo vessels and tankers will be allowed into the State of Pohnpei provided that they do not disembark or come in contact with anyone, including port handlers."

Date: 08/18/2020

All other provisions of Constitutional Emergency Order 20-01 remain the same.

Reed B. Oliver

Governor

State of Pohnpei