PROCLAMATION

From the Office of the Mayor Of the City of Ash Grove, Missouri

WHEREAS, in order to reduce the spread of novel coronavirus COVID-19, which was declared on March 11, 2020 by the World Health Organization to be a pandemic, and further declared on March 13th by the President of the United States to be a national emergency, and

WHEREAS, as of March 17th, the Centers for Disease Control has confirmed at least 5702 cases of COVID-19, with 88 deaths resulting in the United States, and

WHEREAS, as of March 17th, 9 people have tested positive for COVID-19 in Missouri, including the County of Greene, and

WHEREAS, after consultation with County and State officials, it is my determination that there exists a state of local emergency which requires a response by the city to protect human life, and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control have issued certain recommendations to help ensure the safety of populations,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lester Gardner, Mayor of the City of Ash Grove, do hereby proclaim and order that:

Section 1 - A local state of emergency is hereby declared pursuant to the Ash Grove Local Emergency Operations Plan (LEOP).

Section 2 – Pursuant to the Local Emergency Operations Plan, this proclamation is effective immediately on this day of March 17, 2020 and shall continue for a period of 30 days unless renewed or withdrawn.

Lester Gardner, Mayor

Attest: Melissa Mau, City Clerk