



## Special News Announcement



# Mayor Van Johnson Signs an Enhanced Emergency Declaration

Today, Mayor Van Johnson signed an enhanced emergency declaration ordering all people living in the City of Savannah to shelter at home, and closing all non-essential businesses in the city as of 11:59 p.m. on Tuesday, March 24. These requirements are in addition to those announced by Georgia Governor Brian Kemp on Monday, March 23.

According to the directive, residents can only leave their homes for specifically outlined "essential activities," such as seeking medical attention and going to and from a grocery or convenience store. This includes travel on foot, on a bicycle, automobile, or public transit. Residents are allowed to engage in outdoor activities such as walking, hiking or running if they engaged with the social distancing requirement of six feet between each person.

Governor Kemp's directive requires those considered "medically fragile," meaning the elderly and immuno-compromised to shelter at home, except for activities officially considered "essential travel," such as the seeking of medical attention and travel to and from a grocery or convenience store.

Kemp also required the state-wide closing of businesses that cannot provide at least six feet of distance between patrons at all times, and gave the Department of Public Health the authority to close businesses and assemblies, including churches, that can't or don't comply with the rules.

[Click here](#) for the full version of Mayor Johnson's order.

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Working Remotely Under the New Normal | I've been working remotely with leaders for over 17 years. My work with them has been a combination of in-person meetings and meetings via the web. Working remotely/virtually has provided me the opportunity to work closely and instantly with leaders nationally and internationally. I certainly wouldn't say I'm an expert at working remotely, but I have learned a few things about how to make it easier and more effective. In that spirit, here are some that come to mind.

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This morning, Mayor Van Johnson made his first amendment to the City of Savannah's Declaration of Local Emergency due to the continued spread of COVID-19 through the state of Georgia, citing the need for additional measures to slow the spread of the virus.

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