WHEREAS, on January 24, 2022, I issued Emergency Proclamation XV – COVID-19 (Proclamation XV), recognizing the ongoing emergency faced by the City of Santa Fe (City) in the form of the COVID-19 virus (Emergency);

WHEREAS, on January 26, 2022, the City’s Governing Body extended Proclamation VII through March 7, 2022 by adopting Resolution 2022-7;

WHEREAS, as the Emergency evolves, the State’s framework for recovery has evolved;

WHEREAS, specifically, yesterday the State lifted its requirement that everyone wear masks in indoor areas, other than certain medical and congregate care facilities, correctional facilities, schools, and other similar facilities;

WHEREAS, while the case numbers both locally and statewide are rapidly decreasing, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) continues to classify Santa Fe County as having a high transmission rate and recommends wearing masks indoors;

WHEREAS, the Santa Fe Public School Board may lift the mask requirement for public schools in the City of Santa Fe, but has not made a decision to do so at this time;
WHEREAS, the Federal Mask Transit Requirement remains in place through at least March 18, 2022, which includes our Santa Fe Trails and Airport; and

WHEREAS, there continues to be a need to stay vigilant, given the rapidly evolving state of the Emergency.

THEREFORE, due to the circumstances identified above, I order the following amendments to the existing Orders, effective for the duration of the proclaimed emergency, unless rescinded or modified earlier:

A. Masks are highly encouraged, but no longer required, in all the City’s facilities and vehicles, other than senior centers, buses, transit stations, the airport, and indoor locations in which the City’s Youth Programs take place, where masks are still required; and

B. The City Manager shall ensure that the City continues to supply masks, hand sanitizer, and gloves; encourage sanitization; maintain facility sanitation stations, and evaluate facility modifications that may assist in reducing the spread of COVID-19; and

C. The City Manager shall also continually evaluate and review the City’s policies and practices, taking into account local transmission rates.

All other Orders remain in place.

I also encourage Santa Fe residents and employees to continue to take measures to maintain their safety and health.
These changes are effective immediately. The Order regarding masking in locations in which the City’s Youth Programs are taking place shall end if and when the Santa Fe Public School Board removes its requirement for masking in the City’s public schools. The Orders regarding masking in senior centers and public transit shall end if and when the state and federal requirements for those services are rescinded.

DONE at Santa Fe, New Mexico this 18 day of Feb, 2022 at the hour of 4 o'clock P.M. (MDT).

___________________________
ALAN M. WEBBER, MAYOR
City of Santa Fe, New Mexico

ATTEST:

_____________________________
KRISTINE MIHELCIC, CITY CLERK
(S E A L)