



**DECLARATION OF LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY**  
**PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER**  
**Summit County, Utah**

**WHEREAS**, *Summit County Code of Health* §1-1-10(B) provides that the *County Health Officer* may declare a public health emergency; and,

**WHEREAS**, on March 12, 2020, the County Health Officer declared a *Local Public Health Emergency* with respect to the COVID-19 Pandemic (the “**COVID-19 Emergency**”); and,

**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 Emergency was subsequently extended by order of the County Health Officer on April 7, 2020, May 1, 2020, September 1, 2020, and again on January 9, 2021; and,

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with HB 294, the COVID-19 Emergency ended in May 2021; and,

**WHEREAS**, the *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention* (the “**CDC**”) has identified the potential public health threat posed by the new and emerging *Delta Variant of COVID-19* (the “**Delta Variant**”), which is spreading both globally and in the United States, as “high,” and has advised that person-to-person spread of the Delta Variant will continue to occur globally, including within the United States; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Delta Variant poses a continuing, increasing, and immediate threat to the public health of Summit County residents and visitors. The Delta Variant is the dominant strain actively circulating in Summit County and is more contagious than the original virus and other variants; and,

**WHEREAS**, Summit County has a 14-day case rate of 249 per 100,000 people, placing the county within the Moderate Level of Transmission under criteria separately established by the State of Utah and the CDC; and,

**WHEREAS**, the County Health Officer finds the above facts raise the likelihood of widespread community transmission occurring among the general public and the need for Summit County and the public to work cooperatively and proactively to slow the spread of the Delta Variant and address any challenges that may arise due to this disease in Summit County; and,

**WHEREAS**, the County Health Officer does hereby find that there is an imminent and proximate threat to public health from the introduction of the Delta Variant into Summit County; and,

**WHEREAS**, the County Health Officer has provided the Summit County Manager with twenty-four (24) hour advanced notice of his intent to issue a Local Public Health Emergency Declaration in accordance with Utah Code §26A-1-114(7)(a).

**THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO UTAH CODE §26A-1-114 AND SUMMIT COUNTY CODE OF HEALTH §1-1-10(b), BE IT DELCARED BY PHILIP BONDURANT, DR. PH, MPH, COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER, AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1.     **Declaration of Local Public Health Emergency.** It is hereby declared that there is a *Local Public Health Emergency* affecting Summit County, Utah (the “**Delta Variant Emergency**”), which exceeds the resources of the community, and assistance is requested from both the State of Utah and the federal government to provide all necessary resources to combat such emergency to protect the community and provide emergency assistance.

Section 2.     **Duration.** This declaration of the Delta Variant Emergency shall expire thirty (30) days after the *Effective Date* (defined below) unless extended by the Summit County Council.

Section 3.     **Publication.** This declaration of the Delta Variant Emergency shall be on file for public inspection with the Summit County Health Department.

Section 4.     **Notice to Governor.** A copy of this declaration of the Delta Variant Emergency shall be sent to the Office of the Governor of the State of Utah.

Effective Date: August 21, 2021

SUMMIT COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT



Philip Bondurant, Dr. PH, MPH  
Summit County Health Officer

Approved as to Form:



Margaret H. Olson  
Summit County Attorney