STATE OF MICHIGAN GENESEE COUNTY GENESEE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

MEDICAL HEALTH OFFICER AMENDED ORDER FINDING CONCERN FOR IMMINENT DANGER TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH JUNE 27, 2022

This order is made pursuant to Section 2251 of the Public Health Code, being MCL 333.2251 and amends and replaces the Order Finding Imminent Danger issued June 16, 2022. Matters of concern to the health of Genesee County residents have been brought to the attention of the Medical Health Officer of Genesee County, and the Medical Health Officer has made the following determinations:

- On Wednesday, June 15, 2022, City of Flint and Genesee County officials were notified of an unidentified oil-like substance in the Flint River. Testing to identify the substance has been done but the results are pending. The quantity of the substance released is unknown at this time, but it has been contained to the area of the Flint River between Stepping Stone Falls and Leith Street.
- 2) Residents are advised to not have direct contact or participate in any sports or fishing in the Flint River water from Stepping Stone Falls to Leith Street.
- Genesee County Hazmat Team, the State of Michigan's Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE), and the Flint and Clio Fire Departments, and other partners are conducting a clean-up operation to ensure that proper steps are being taken to minimize the environmental impact. The City of Flint's drinking water supply is not from the Flint River and there is no danger to the drinking water supplied by the City.
- While the response to this situation is underway and identification of the substance continues, all residents and visitors to Genesee County should avoid any physical contact, fishing, or water sports, on the Flint River from Stepping Stone Falls to Leith Street in Genesee County to ensure the safety and avoidance of any potential imminent danger to the health or lives of citizens of the State of Michigan.

Now, Therefore, It Is Hereby Ordered that:

- A) The Flint River is closed from Stepping Stone Falls to Leith Street in Genesee County. Avoid physical contact or eating fish from the Flint River in these areas until an all-clear is issued.
- B) Before the area may be reopened, it must be determined that

spilled substance response activities do not pose a hazard of physical harm and that the potential for any danger from this spill is resolved.

C) Until more information is available, consuming fish caught in the Flint River from Stepping Stone Falls to Willard Street should be avoided until an all-clear is issued.

Pursuant to section 2261 of the Public Health Code, Public Act 368 of 1978, being MCL 333.2261, a person who violates this order is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or a fine of not more than \$200.00 or both.

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Dated: <u>June 27, 2022</u>