Acton Board of Health Emergency Public Health Order of December 21, 2021

Whereas the Board of Health desires to enforce guidelines of COVID-19 with measures to protect the health and welfare of the residents and community,

Whereas Acton has a role in helping to contain the spread and need to limit exposure to all of our residents from this highly contagious and potentially life-threatening virus,

Whereas the Town of Acton seeks to reduce the risk of exposure to the novel coronavirus for residents, employees and the community,

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to 310 CMR 11.05, 105 CMR 300.200, and Chapter 111, Sections 30, 31 and 104 of the Massachusetts General Laws and all other necessary and appropriate powers and authorities, to take additional steps to prepare for, respond to, and mitigate the spread of COVD-19 to protect the health and welfare of the people of Acton,

The Board of Health HEREBY ORDERS:

The provisions of the Emergency Order of the Acton Board of Health as of December 22, 2021, requiring Face Coverings in Indoor Public Places are hereby adopted by the Town of Acton.

All members of the public entering any public business premises, including but not limited to grocery stores, pharmacies, home improvement or retail stores and the like must cover their mouth and nose with a mask or cloth face covering, unless exempted by MDPH guidance https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-mask-requirements

All members of the public entering a restaurant or food establishment premises for purposes of picking up food for takeout must cover their mouth and nose with a mask or cloth face covering, unless exempted by MDPH guidance https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-mask-requirements

All members of the public when entering an indoor municipal property or building, including but not limited to the Acton Public Safety Facility, Acton Town Hall, Acton Memorial and Citizens Library and Acton Fire Stations, must cover their mouth and nose with a mask or cloth face covering, unless exempted MDPH guidance https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-mask-requirements

The Board of Health will also seek assistance from the Acton Police with help in asking the public for compliance with this order, concurrent with their employment with the Town of Acton.

To the extent necessary, this Order shall be enforced by the Board of Health and duly authorized agents of the Board of Health.

This Order shall be effective at 12:00 noon December 22, 2021 and shall remain in effect until further notice given, pursuant to our judgment that the conditions leading to this Order no longer exists.

I, the undersigned certify, in multiple counterparts, that the foregoing Order was made at a meeting of the Acton Board of Health on December 21, 2021 duly noticed pursuant to Open Meeting Laws.

Date: December 21, 2021

Name: William McInnis

Title: Chair, Acton Board of Heath