

**RESOLUTION RESCINDING)
THE RALSTON BOARD OF)
HEALTH ORDER ENACTING) RESOLUTION 2021-05
A COMMUNITY MASK MANDATE)**

WHEREAS, the City of Ralston is surrounded by and shares borders with the City of Omaha in three directions, and Omaha enacted a community mask mandate; and

WHEREAS, on November 19, 2020, the Ralston Board of Health found that the increasing spread of the COVID-19 virus presented a novel risk of death and significant harm to the people of the City of Ralston;

WHEREAS, on November 19, 2020, the Ralston Board of Health issued an order which justified the enforcement of community masking consistent with those required in Omaha; and

WHEREAS, the Ralston Board of Health Order provided the rules and regulations shall remain in full force and effect until superseded by a Directed Health Measure issued by the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services or Douglas County Board mandating community masking or until otherwise rescinded by the Ralston Board of Health or Ralston City Council"; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the expiration of the mask mandate in the City of Omaha at 11:59 PM on May 25, 2021, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Ralston determined that the mask mandate in the City of Ralston shall also expire.

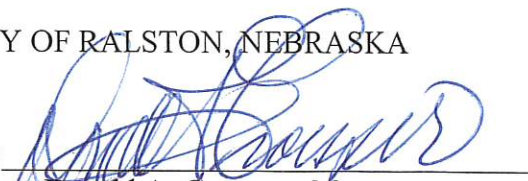
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Ralston City Council and the Mayor of Ralston, Nebraska, that the mask mandate in the City of Ralston shall expire immediately and that the Ralston Board of Health Order issued on November 19, 2020 enacting a community mask mandate is hereby rescinded;

IN ADDITION, the Ralston City Council urges Ralston and Greater Omaha residents to observe the Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines which recommend that people who are not fully vaccinated against COVID-19 continue to wear masks, practice social distancing and follow any other current and future COVID-19 recommendations of the CDC and the Douglas County Health Department.

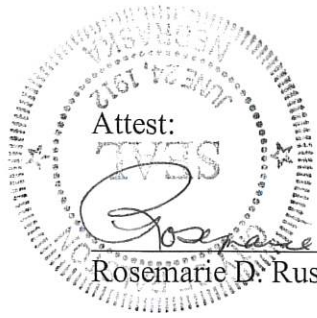
PASSED AND APPROVED this 18th day of May, 2021.

CITY OF RALSTON, NEBRASKA

BY:



Donald A. Groesser, Mayor



Attest:

Rosemarie D. Russell

Rosemarie D. Russell, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Donald F. Ficenec

Donald F. Ficenec, City Attorney