

## **CITY OF OMAHA**

### **COVID-19 Prevention Order – Mask Requirement**

Issued by City Health Director Dr. Lindsay Huse

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to City of Omaha Municipal Code §12-1, the Director of the Douglas County Health Department acts as the Health Director for the City of Omaha (“Director”) and the Director has such powers as are detailed in Chapter 12 of the Omaha Municipal Code; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Director issued a COVID-19 Prevention Order – Mask Requirement (“Order”), dated January 11, 2022; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Director has reviewed the seven (7) day total number of cases per 100,000 population and finds that it is currently 195.5 persons per 100,000; and

**WHEREAS**, the Director has reviewed the Metro Omaha Hospital Occupancy Rate and finds that although hospital capacity has not been maintained below 85% for seven (7) consecutive days, the number of COVID-19 patients in Metro Omaha Hospitals has continued to fall, from a peak of 452 patients on January 24, 2022 to 277 patients on February 15, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the vaccination rates for Douglas County have continued to improve, with 71.2% of residents age 5 and older being fully vaccinated and 75.5% of residents age 5 and older have at least one dose of a vaccine; and,

**WHEREAS**, current projections forecast a continued drop in new cases within the City of Omaha and a continued reduction of COVID-19 patients which require hospitalization.

**THEREFORE**, the Order will be lifted and will terminate on February 16, 2022, at 12 pm (noon).

On behalf of the City of Omaha:

  
Dr. Lindsay Huse, Director

  
Date