



# BLACKFEET NATION

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## RESOLUTION

### **Continuing Current Fines and Offenses beginning on October 26, 2020, until Further Notice Under Current Phase Restrictions**

Resolution No. 26-2021

- WHEREAS,** The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council is the duly constituted governing body within the exterior boundaries of the Blackfeet Indian Nation pursuant to Section 16 of Act of June 18, 1934 and Amendments thereof, and
- WHEREAS,** The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council has been organized to represent, develop, protect and advance the views, interests, and resources education and resources of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation, and
- WHEREAS,** The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council is empowered, pursuant to Article VI-Powers of the Council, Section 1(e) to manage all economic affairs and enterprises of the Blackfeet Reservation; and, Section 1(g) to manage tribal affairs in an acceptable and businesslike manner and in accordance with the administrative plan called the Plan of Operations; and, Section 1(k) to promulgate ordinances for the purposes of safeguarding the peace and safety of residents of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation, and
- WHEREAS,** The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council enacted *Ordinance 121*, entitled "*Blackfeet Tribe COVID-19 Ordinance 121*" to limit the risk of infection from the global pandemic outbreak of COVID-19 to members and residents of the Blackfeet Reservation, and such risk has increased with community outbreak

beginning June 26, 2020; to which, infection rates began spiking in September, and

**WHEREAS,** The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council further agrees to CDC Guidelines mandates: social distancing, avoiding crowds, use of masks while in public, regular and proper handwashing, regular sanitization of commonly used items, use of registry of persons, proper use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) such as masks, gloves, gowns, face shields, etc., proper handling of food and trash, etc.

**WHEREAS,** The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council met on October 28, 2020 to review current COVID-19 offenses and fines in response to the current COVID-19 cases, increased hospitalization rates and overwhelming of resources, and

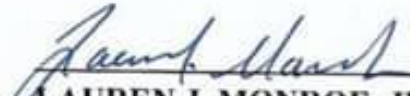
**WHEREAS,** The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council hereby desires to extend current offenses and fines until further notice under the current Phase Restrictions as authorized by Resolution No. 16-2021 as administered by Incident Command in order to direct resources to curb COVID-19 infection rates on the Blackfeet Reservation, now

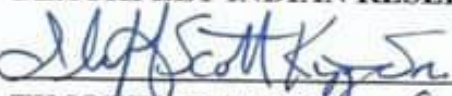
**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:**

1. **ALL OFFENSES AND FINES TO CONTINUE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE BEGINNING ON OCTOBER 26, 2020** This resolution hereby continues the offenses and fines from Resolution No. 11-2021, listed herein beginning on October 26, 2020 at 1:00 a.m. until further notice, under the current Phase Restrictions established by Blackfeet Incident Command.
2. **STAY AT HOME ORDER FOR RESIDENTS OF THE BLACKFEET RESERVATION.** All persons are ordered to Stay Home. **Persons found to be engaged in the following illegal activities shall be fined a minimum of \$500.00 per occurrence: House Parties, Loitering, Soliciting, or engaged in unapproved gatherings.**
2. **SOCIAL DISTANCING ORDER.** All persons are mandated to distance at six (6) feet from each other while wearing a mask, with the exception of those persons who are members of the same household. *"Household" is defined as those members of a household who were living in the same dwelling unit during the past fourteen (14) days.* **Persons knowingly in violation of this Order shall be fined a minimum of \$500.00 per occurrence.**

3. **PROHIBITION ON INDOOR GATHERINGS.** Indoor gatherings shall be limited to household members or approved cohorts and businesses under the current phase plan. **Persons knowingly in violation of this Order shall result in a minimum of \$500.00 fine per occurrence.**
  
4. **MASKS REQUIRED IN ALL AREAS OF THE BLACKFEET RESERVATION.** All persons on the Blackfeet Reservation are required to wear masks at all times while in public (where social distancing cannot be maintained), with the exception for children under two (2) years of age. Masks are available through the Blackfeet Tribal Office Main Lobby. **Persons not wearing a mask after warning shall be fined a minimum of \$500.00 per occurrence.**
  
5. **CURFEW ORDER FROM 10 PM to 6 AM.** Curfew shall be from 10 PM to 6 AM each day. **Violations of Curfew shall result in a minimum of \$500.00 fine per occurrence.**
  
6. **COURT ENFORCEMENT FOR ISOLATION/QUARANTINE PUBLIC HEALTH ORDERS.** Ordinance #121 requires enforcement of all public health isolation/quarantine orders by the Blackfeet Tribal Court. **Persons not following the public health orders will be subject to further legal action requiring violators to be legally detained and face further criminal action not to exceed three (3) years in jail and/or \$5,000.00 fine per occurrence.**
  
7. **ESSENTIAL TRAVEL AS VALID DEFENSE.** Essential Travel is a valid defense to each offense listed herein, as defined in the current Phase Plan as administered by Incident Command Order on a daily basis to the public and Tribal Court. Any citation issued pursuant to Ordinance #121 and following Resolutions or Administrative orders shall be provided due process under the *Blackfeet Law and Order Code of 1967, as amended.*
  
8. **PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENT.** The Public Information Officer shall make notice of this Resolution shall be made effective immediately to the local media.
  
9. The Chairman or the Vice-Chairman in the Chairman's absence and the Secretary of the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council are hereby authorized to sign this Resolution and any other documents to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution.

ATTEST:


  
LAUREN J. MONROE, JR.  
Secretary

THE BLACKFEET TRIBE OF THE  
BLACKFEET INDIAN RESERVATION  
  
TIMOTHY F. DAVIS (Acting)  
Chairman

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council in a duly called noticed and convened Special Session assembled for business the 28th day of October, 2020, with Six (6) members present to constitute a quorum and by a vote of Six (6) For, Zero (0) Opposed and Zero (0) Abstained.

(SEAL)

  
LAUREN J. MONROE JR., Secretary  
Blackfeet Tribal Business Council