EMERGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DUNWOODY, GEORGIA, UNDER SECTION 1.03 OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF DUNWOODY, GEORGIA, DECLARING LOCAL EMERGENCY OF THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2021/2022 OMICRON VARIANT GLOBAL PANDEMIC, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Dunwoody, Georgia ("City"), are charged with the protection of the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City; and

WHEREAS, Section 1.03 of the Charter of the City of Dunwoody, Georgia ("City Charter"), empowers the Mayor and City Council to establish procedures for determining and proclaiming that an emergency situation exists within or without the City, and to make and carry out all reasonable provisions deemed necessary to deal with or meet such an emergency for the protection, safety, health or well-being of the citizens of the City; and

WHEREAS, on January 3, 2022, according to the data compiled by Johns Hopkins University 1,082,549 new coronavirus cases, as the highly infectious omicron variant continues to spread.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Dunwoody, Georgia ("City Council"), that:

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby declares that a state of emergency exists within the City affecting the safety, health and well-being of citizens due to the continued spread of the highly-contagious omicron variant.

SECTION 2. The following provision shall govern the operation of the City Council meetings during the next 30 days:

2.1 <u>City Council Operations</u>. City Council shall continue to operate and assemble at public meetings, subject to the following;

Pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1(g), City Council may conduct public meetings via teleconference while this Ordinance is in effect, without the requirement of having a quorum present in person, so long as notice is provided and simultaneous access is afforded to the public to the teleconference meeting.

2.2 <u>City Boards and Commissions</u>. City Boards and Commissions shall continue to operate and assemble at public meetings, subject to the following;

Pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1(g), City Boards and Commissions may conduct public meetings via teleconference while this Ordinance is in effect, without the requirement of having a quorum present in person, so long as notice is provided and simultaneous access is afforded to the public to the teleconference meeting.

2.3 <u>Re-Enaction or Repeal of Ordinance</u>. On or before the twenty-eighth (28th) day of February, the City Council shall convene on the call of the Mayor and one (1) councilmember, or three (3) councilmembers of the City Council to re-enact or repeal this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 4. If any section, subsection, provisions, or clause of any part of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid or unconstitutional, or, if the provisions of any part of this Ordinance as applied to a particular situation or set of circumstances shall be declared invalid or unconstitutional, such invalidity shall not be construed to affect the portions of this Ordinance not so held to be invalid. It is hereby declared as the intent of the City Council that this Ordinance would have been adopted in its current form without the invalid or unconstitutional provision contained herein.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall become effective on February 11, 2022,

SECTION 6. This Ordinance may be re-enacted for one (1) or more additional periods of thirty (30) days (or repealed) upon a meeting of the City Council called by the Mayor and one (1) councilmember, or three (3) councilmembers of the City Council.

SO ORDAINED this _____ day of _____ 2022, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Dunwoody, Georgia.

CITY OF DUNWOODY, GEORGIA

By:

Lynn Deutsch, Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

(SEAL)