GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUANCE SYSTEM

Mayor’s Order 2020-069
June 1, 2020

SUBJECT: Continuation of District-wide Curfew during COVID-19 Public Emergency and Second Public Emergency

ORIGINATING AGENCY: Office of the Mayor


I. BACKGROUND

1. The findings of Mayor’s Order 2020-068, dated May 31, 2020, are incorporated herein.

2. For the past several nights, our police, firefighters, and members of the public safety team for Washington, DC, along with our federal partners, have been working to make sure people may exercise their First Amendment rights, while not defacing, damaging, or destroying churches, monuments, parks, businesses, and government offices in Washington, DC.

3. In multiple areas throughout the District of Columbia, numerous businesses, vehicles, and government buildings have been vandalized, burned, or looted. More than eighty (80) individuals were arrested over the past two (2) days in connection with these incidents, with the majority charged with felonies.

4. On the night of May 31, 2020, looting and vandalism occurred at multiple locations throughout the city, in addition to the rioting in the downtown area.
Vandals smashed windows in Northeast DC, upper Northwest DC stretching to Georgetown, and caused extensive damage in the Golden Triangle Business Improvement District, Downtown DC Business Improvement District, and Mount Vernon Triangle Community Improvement District. Rioting and looting affected the operations of District government agencies.

5. Moreover, the District continues to be under a declared public health state of emergency due to COVID-19, and gatherings of more than ten (10) persons are currently prohibited in order to reduce the spread of the disease and to protect the public health.

6. I must exercise my authority to impose a new curfew, in order to protect the safety of persons and property in the District.

II. CURFEW ORDERED

1. A District-wide curfew is hereby imposed during the following times:

   a. Monday, June 1, 2020, beginning at 7:00 p.m. and ending at 6:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 2, 2020; and

   b. Tuesday, June 2, 2020, beginning at 7:00 p.m. and ending at 6:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 3, 2020;

2. During the hours of the curfew, no person, other than persons designated by the Mayor, shall walk, bike, run, loiter, stand, or motor by car or other mode of transport upon any street, alley, park, or other public place within the District.

3. Exemptions: The curfew imposed by this Order shall not apply to:

   a. Essential workers, including healthcare personnel and working media with their outlet-issued credentials, when engaged in essential functions, including travel to and from their essential work; and

   b. Individuals who are voting and participating in election activities, including poll workers, volunteers, and individuals exercising their right to vote.

4. Nothing in this Order shall be construed to prohibit or restrict travel to a hospital or urgent care facility, nor shall such travel be considered in violation of this Order.
III. ENFORCEMENT

Any person who violates the curfew imposed by this Order may be subject to a criminal fine of up to three-hundred dollars ($300) or to imprisonment for not more than ten (10) days pursuant to Title 24 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations § 2203.4.

IV. EFFECTIVE DATE: This Order shall become effective immediately.

[Signature]
Muriel Bowser
Mayor