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Executive Order No. 2022-2 - Increased Enforcement of Municipal Code Section 8-16-020 (Curfew Hours for Minors)



#### OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

CITY OF CHICAGO

LORI E. LIGHTFOOT MAYOR

#### **EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2022-2**

WHEREAS, an increase in the number and seriousness of violent and property crimes committed by minors within the City has created an emergency and an immediate danger to the preservation of public safety, health, and welfare in the City of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, the large number of minors who are permitted to remain in public places and establishments at night in the absence of adult supervision has, in part, caused this increase in crime; and

WHEREAS, regulating the hours during which minors may remain in public places and in certain establishments without adult supervision, and imposition of certain duties and responsibilities upon the parents or other adult persons who have custody of or responsibility for minors, can reduce the amount of crime; now, therefore,

### I, LORI E. LIGHTFOOT, Mayor of the City of Chicago, do hereby order as follows:

### **SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS.**

The terms "establishment," "guardian," "parent," "public place," and "remain" have the same meaning as that ascribed to them by Section 8-16-020(a) of the Municipal Code of Chicago ("Code").

The term "minor" means any person under 18 years of age.

The term "Superintendent" means the City of Chicago Superintendent of Police.

The term "ticketed or sponsored event" means a civic, charitable, community-sponsored or neighborhood-sponsored, entertainment, sporting, or other event: (i) organized, promoted and carried out in full compliance with the City of Chicago's laws, rules and permit requirements by a not-for-profit or for-profit entity in good standing with the City, and (ii) that requires a ticket or wristband for admission.

#### SECTION 2. INCREASED ENFORCEMENT.

The Superintendent is ordered and directed to immediately increase enforcement of Section 8-16-020 of the Code ("Curfew Hours for Minors").

The Superintendent shall direct officers to use de-escalation and dispersal tools regularly employed to educate minors about curfew rules and to seek voluntary compliance.

Only when those efforts fail and a minor evidences a refusal to comply with the curfew, then the Superintendent is authorized and directed to take any minor in violation of Section 8-16-020 or this Order into custody until such time as the minor's parent, legal guardian, or other adult having legal care or custody of the minor is located and notified of the violation and takes custody of the minor from the police.

### SECTION 3. EXPANDED CURFEW.

Curfew hours for minors under the age of 12 shall remain as stated in Section 8-16-020(a)(1) of the Code.

Any minor who is 12 years of age or older is prohibited from remaining in any public place or on the premises of any establishment within the City between the hours of 10:00 P.M and 6:00 A.M. on all seven days of the week.

#### **SECTION 4. EXCEPTIONS.**

Prosecutions pursuant to Section 8-16-020 of the Code or this Order are all subject to the defenses of Section 8-16-020(c), and the following additional defense:

It shall be a defense to any curfew violation if a minor was participating in, or returning home immediately after, a ticketed or sponsored event and has documentary evidence of their attendance at such event, e.g., a ticket stub or wristband with the event name preprinted on it.

### SECTION 5. ASSISTANCE BY OTHER CITY DEPARTMENTS.

The Superintendent is authorized and directed to request appropriate assistance from other City departments in effectuating this Order, and upon such request from the Superintendent, each such Department shall render such appropriate assistance.

## SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This order shall take effect upon its execution and filing with the City Clerk.

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