

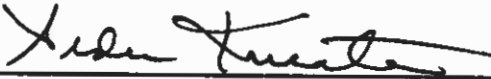


**PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT
FROM POZ GOVERNOR AND TRIBAL COUNCIL
JUNE 29, 2023**

Governor and Tribal Council are pleased to announce that today, June 29, 2023, the Tribal Council has enacted an Executive Order lifting the Coronavirus Emergency Declaration Mandating Masks.

Effective immediately, all individuals on the Zuni Reservation shall wear face masks at their own discretion in all indoor public settings. Face masks are no longer required by law in indoor public settings. This decision was made following the recommendation of the Zuni Indian Comprehensive Health Center and CDC guidelines for healthcare facilities. Please continue with personal sanitation practices.

Face coverings will continue to be worn in indoor public settings if you are showing signs of cough/cold symptoms for the health and safety of Zuni Tribal Members and Zuni Community Members. Also, Tribal Council encourages all Zuni Community members to continue to get vaccinated and practice safe hygiene practices to limit the spread of COVID-19.



Arden Kucate, Governor



**ZUNI TRIBAL COUNCIL
Zuni, New Mexico**

June 29, 2023

**RESOLUTION NO. M70-2023-K060
AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION NO. M70-2023-K040**

**Amended and Supplemental COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Emergency Declaration -
Mandating Masks in Response to Delta Variant**

WHEREAS, the Zuni Tribal Council, consisting of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor and six Council members, is declared to be the legislative authority of the Zuni Tribe by Article V, Sections 1 and 2 of the Constitution of the Zuni Tribe; and,

WHEREAS, the Zuni Tribal Council is authorized to approve, provide and to represent the tribe, and to act in all matters that concern the welfare of the tribe by Article VI, Section 1, paragraph d of the Constitution of the Zuni Tribe; and,

WHEREAS, the Zuni Tribal Council is authorized to enact ordinances, to provide for the enforcement of tribal ordinances and to provide by ordinance the orderly management of tribal affairs by Article VI, Section 1, paragraphs k, l and m of the Constitution of the Zuni Tribe; and,

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, under Resolution No. M70-2020-P037, the Zuni Tribe declared that there was a public health emergency related to the pandemic spread of COVID-19. On April 3, 2020 Governor Val R. Panteah, Sr., issued an Executive Order, a curfew within the boundaries of the Zuni Reservation between 8:00PM and 5:00AM; and,

WHEREAS, the following Zuni Tribal Council Resolutions were enacted for the health and safety of Zuni Tribal Members and Zuni Community Members:

- Resolution No. M70-2020-P050, dated August 6, 2020;
- Resolution No. M70-2020-P062, dated September 2, 2020;
- Resolution No. M70-2020-P078, dated November 16, 2020;
- Resolution No. M70-2020-P081, dated December 2, 2020;
- Resolution No. M70-2021-P044, dated April 12, 2021; and
- Resolution No. M70-2023-K040, dated May 22, 2023;

WHEREAS, on June 29, 2021, the Zuni Tribal Council enacted Resolution No. M70-2021-P078, declaring COVID-19 Recovery efforts for the Zuni Tribe and Community. Effective July 1, 2021, the Zuni Tribal Council:

- terminated the curfew;
- deactivated the Incident Command System;
- allowed Pueblo of Zuni programs, local organizations, and local businesses to adopt or require precautions for their employees and population served, at their discretion to follow Center for Disease Control (CDC) guidance regarding COVID-19;
- allowed for inside and outside gatherings;
- stated vaccinations and testing would continue with guidance and direction from Zuni IHS; and,

WHEREAS, the Center for Disease and Control Prevention is no longer tracking towards hospitalization rates.

WHEREAS, McKinley County currently has moderate hospitalization rates.

WHEREAS, following the recommended guidance of the Zuni Indian Comprehensive Health Center and CDC guidelines for healthcare facilities, the Zuni Tribal council will lift the mask mandate but still require the public to continue with personal sanitation.

WHEREAS, the Zuni Tribal Council has considered the lifting of the mask mandate with the State's Order and National Mandate; it is determined that the COVID-19 pandemic is in a moderate state; where it does not pose imminent threat to the health, safety and well-being of the Zuni Tribal Members and Zuni Community Members; and,

WHEREAS, the Zuni Tribal Council supports and allows POZ programs, local organizations to adopt and/or require precautions for their employees and populations served at their discretion but in accordance with the Center for Disease Control's COVID-19 guidelines, including those related to sanitation; and,

WHEREAS, the Zuni Tribal Council desires that face coverings be **worn in indoor public settings if you are showing signs of cough/cold symptoms** for the health and safety of Zuni Tribal Members and Zuni Community Members.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Zuni Tribal Council hereby orders, effective June 29, 2023, that all Individuals on the Zuni Reservation shall wear face masks at their own discretion in all indoor public settings; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Zuni Tribal Council also encourages all Zuni Community members to continue to get vaccinated and practice safe hygiene practices to limit the spread of Covid-19

IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Zuni Tribal Council may review and change the directives as reasonably appropriate to deal with this pandemic.

ZUNI TRIBAL COUNCIL:




Arden Kucate, Governor



Cordelia Hooee, Lt. Governor

excused absent

Anthony Sanchez, Jr., Head Councilman



Ricky Penketewa Sr, Councilman



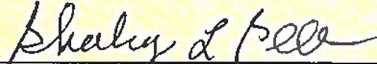
Virginia R. Chavez Councilwoman



Birdena Sanchez, Councilwoman



Edward W. Wemytewa, Councilman



Shirley L. Bellson, Councilman

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly considered by the Zuni Tribal Council in a duly called meeting at which a quorum was present, and that the same was: 7 in favor, ___ opposed, ___ abstain, 1 absent, on June 29, 2023



Birdena Sanchez Tribal Secretary

APPROVED / DISAPPROVED



Arden Kucate, Governor
Pueblo of Zuni

06-29-2023
Date