Debra Thompson

From: Bosjun Reid <br.reidbros@aptalaska.net>
Sent: Thursday, September 3, 2020 8:24 PM
To: Assembly
Subject: Emergency ordinance concerns

Hello

As a concerned citizen and operator of local business I want to express some thoughts and concerns about Emergency Ordinence 2020-19.

First and foremost I ask you to vote it down. Vote NO.
This ordinance is out of line. I understand that no one intends to miss use the power that would be established by this document and that the push behind it is intended for the common good. However, this document is unbelievably invasive.
Imposing curfews on the citizens but not for those whom the Borough seems "essential", shutting down any business establishment, suspending individuals right to purchase, compulsory compliance with any order under PMC 3.72.060(A)??? What if I disagree? What if the proposed solution has unintended consequences that cause more damage than the supposed cure? What if the order violates my right of conscience or bodily autonomy?These are not American concepts. This is not the way of a free Republic.
Again, I understand that this is not some crazy conspiracy to pull off a hostile take over of Petersburg... That's ridiculous... That's not the point.
The point is that this document is not fit to pass. It is full of problematic language and posses a serious threat to violating ones right of conscience.
The American way is always on the side of the individual, every individual, not the collective. Once one tries to make a one size fits all policy trampling on the individual rights of some, "for the greater good" of others, you have effectively violated the American ethic. It is not the government's role to "keep us all safe", or to "herd all of us sheep". It is the government's role to protect individual liberty and ensure that each individual has the Freedom as set forth in the Bill of Rights as they go about their daily lives.
The emergency actions imposed on us thus far have already caused enough damage. Enough is enough. I caution you, I urge you... Believe in the people, give aid and support to their individual liberties, make every effort to stand in opposition to top down dictatorial rule and fight the urge to succumb to the urges of believing that the people need to be controlled... even in the event of an emergency.
Vote No on Emergency ordinance 2020-19.
Thank you.

Bosjun Reid

Reid Brothers Construction

Phone: (907)772-3755

Fax: (907)772-3748

P.O. Box 1187

Petersburg, AK 99833