

**TOWN OF MORRISON, COLORADO  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
ORDINANCE NO. 490**

**AN ORDINANCE TEMPORARILY WAIVING CERTAIN  
REQUIREMENTS OF THE MORRISON MUNICIPAL CODE  
CONCERNING SIGNS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Town of Morrison is a Colorado home rule municipality operating under a Charter approved by the electorate pursuant to Article XX of the Colorado Constitution and governed by its elected Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has authority pursuant to the Home Rule Charter and C.R.S. §31-16-101, *et seq.* to adopt and enforce all ordinances; and

WHEREAS, in the exercise of this authority, the Board of Trustees has previously enacted provisions in the Morrison Municipal Code governing the size, location, construction and illumination of signs; and

WHEREAS, in response to the COVID 19 pandemic, the Governor of the state of Colorado, through the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, has imposed a stay-at-home order which, while permitting certain critical businesses including restaurants, to remain open for take-out, delivery and walk-up service, the effect of this order is to seriously impede the ability of such businesses to remain viable; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees recognizes the contribution retail restaurants serving food provide to the Morrison community generally, and in particular under the present unusual circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees recognizes that restaurants serving food at retail for take-out, delivery and walk-up service now have a special need to advise the public of the availability of such service.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Morrison, Colorado:**

**Section 1. Temporary Waiver Enacted.** The Board of Trustees hereby declares a temporary waiver of otherwise applicable sign code regulations, applicable only to restaurants within the Town which are permitted by the Governor's stay-at-home order to continue to serve food at retail for pickup, delivery and walk-up service. This temporary waiver allows additional signage for restaurants offering such service at retail under the following restrictions. Any such additional signage:

- A. must be placed on or affixed to property of the business itself;
- B. may not exceed a total of \_\_\_\_ square feet in addition to all other signage permitted for the business;
- C. may not be illuminated; and

D. may not obstruct a sidewalk or public right of way.

**Section 3. Enforcement.** The Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Town Manager to implement the provisions of this Ordinance and to make administrative decisions concerning its interpretation and administration. This ordinance shall continue in effect until amended or repealed by the Board of Trustees.

**Section 4. Emergency Declared; Effective Date.** Pursuant to Section 3.10(a) of the Home Rule Charter, the Board of Trustees hereby declares that an emergency exists requiring immediate effectiveness of this Ordinance; specifically that the constraints placed upon restaurant businesses serving food at retail by the COVID 19 pandemic and the Governor's stay-at-home orders in response thereto require emergency action by the Board in the manner contained herein. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

**TOWN OF MORRISON:**

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Sean K. Forey, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Lyndsey Paavilainen, Town Clerk

Introduced, moved, and finally adopted by a vote of \_\_\_ in favor and \_\_\_ against, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April 2020.

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