The State of Maryland

Executive Department

ORDER
OF THE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND

PROHIBITING MOVEMENT OF PERSONS TO AND FROM CERTAIN VESSELS BERTHING AT TERMINALS AND PORT FACILITIES IN THE PORTS AND HARBORS OF THE STATE

WHEREAS, A state of emergency and catastrophic health emergency was proclaimed on March 5, 2020, to control and prevent the spread of COVID-19 within the state, and the state of emergency and catastrophic health emergency still exists;

WHEREAS, COVID-19, a respiratory disease that spreads easily from person to person and may result in serious illness or death, is a public health catastrophe and has been confirmed in several Maryland counties;

WHEREAS, To reduce the spread of COVID-19, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has recommended that all cruise travel be deferred, as cruise ship passengers are at increased risk of person-to-person spread of infectious diseases; and

WHEREAS, To reduce the threat to human health caused by transmission of COVID-19, and to protect and save lives, it is necessary and reasonable to control the movement of persons to and from vessels berthing at terminals and port facilities in the waters of the State of Maryland;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF MARYLAND, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO TITLE 14 OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY ARTICLE AND SECTION 18-212.1 OF THE HEALTH-GENERAL ARTICLE, AND IN AN EFFORT TO CONTROL AND PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 WITHIN THE STATE, DO HEREBY ORDER:

I. Except as set forth in paragraph II below, no passenger or crew member shall disembark at any terminal or port facility in the ports

and harbors of the Sate (including, without limitation, the Cruise Maryland terminal) from any passenger vessel that has, since January 31, 2020, made a call at any port outside the United States (each, a "Covered Passenger Vessel").

II. This Order does not prohibit the disembarkation of the passengers from the following vessels at the end of their respective current voyages, provided that no person on board such vessel has a confirmed diagnosis of COVID-19 or is under investigation for COVID-19:

a. Carnival Pride.
b. RCL Grandeur of the Seas.

If any person on board any vessel listed above has a confirmed diagnosis of COVID-19 or is under investigation for COVID-19, such vessel shall be subject to paragraph I above.

III. Except as necessary to perform a duty required by law, no person shall board any Covered Passenger Vessel at any terminal or port facility in the ports and harbors of the State.

IV. Each owner (as defined in 33 C.F.R. §101.105) of a terminal or port facility in the State that receives cargo vessels shall develop and implement procedures for screening and controlling the movement of crew members who desire to disembark from cargo vessels that have, since January 31, 2020, made a call at any port outside the United States, in accordance with recommendations from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Maryland Department of Health, the U.S. Coast Guard, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection, to deter the spread of COVID-19.

V. Each law enforcement officer of the State or a political subdivision shall execute and enforce this Order.

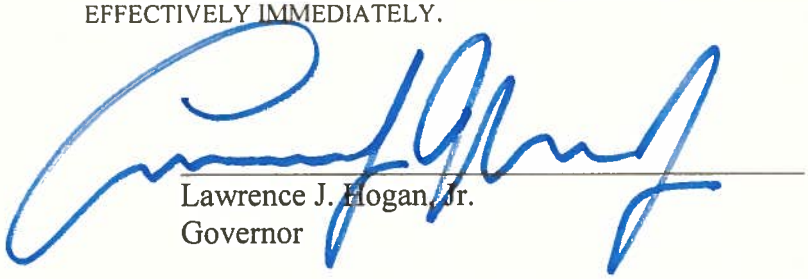
VI. A person who knowingly and willfully violates this Order is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to imprisonment not exceeding 1 year or a fine not exceeding $5,000 or both.

VII. This Order remains effective until after termination of the state of emergency and the proclamation of the catastrophic health emergency has been rescinded, or until rescinded, superseded, amended, or revised by additional orders.

VIII. The effect of any statute, rule, or regulation of an agency of the State or a political subdivision inconsistent with this order is

hereby suspended.

ISSUED UNDER MY HAND THIS 12TH DAY OF MARCH, 2020, AND EFFECTIVELY IMMEDIATELY.



Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
Governor