ORDINANCE NO. 2021-___

CITY OF TONTITOWN, WASHINGTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2020-07-893 TO PROVIDE FOR THE USE OF MASKS IN THE CITY OF TONTITOWN, ARKANSAS, FURTHER PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION THEREOF AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, on or about July 7, 2020 the City Council for the City of Tontitown adopted Ordinance No. 2020-07-893 which provided for the use of masks in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic in the City of Tontitown; and

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the City Council of Tontitown that Ordinance No. 2020-07-893 needs to be amended; and

WHEREAS, following the public announcement from Arkansas Governor Asa Hutchinson to lift the statewide mask mandate, the City Council of the City of Tontitown now finds it to be in the best interest of the citizens of Tontitown to remove Section 1 of Ordinance No. 2020-07-895 as set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF TONTITOWN, ARKANSAS:

- **Section 1.** Section 1 of Ordinance No. 2020-07-893 is hereby removed.
- Section 2. The rest and remainder of Ordinance No. 2020-07-893 remains in full force and effect.
- <u>Section 3.</u> That the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and if any section, phrase, or provision shall be declared or held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remainder of the sections, phrases or provisions.
- Section 4. Declaration of Emergency. It is hereby found and determined that the existing ordinances relating to the regulations of wearing masks within the city need to be amended based upon the needs of the City of Tontitown. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist, and this act being immediately necessary for the preservation and protection of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the City and its citizens, shall become effective on the date of its passage and approval by the Mayor. If the Ordinance is neither approved nor vetoed by the Mayor, it shall become effective on the expiration of the period of time during which the Mayor may veto this Ordinance. If the Ordinance is vetoed by the Mayor and the veto is overridden by the City Council, it shall become effective on the date the City Council overrides the veto.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _	day	, 2021.
	APPROVED:	

ATTEST:	Paul Colvin, Jr., Mayor
Rhonda Ardemagni, City Clerk-Treasurer (SEAL)	_