

March 19, 2020

City of Tulsa Mayor GT Bynum Chief of Economic Development, Kian Kamas Director of Development Services, Yuen Ho

RE: Building Owners and Managers Association of Tulsa

**Essential Personnel Definition** 

To Whom it May Concern:

As the President of BOMA Tulsa, I am contacting you today on behalf of the commercial building owners and managers in Tulsa. During this time of uncertainty, BOMA associations across the country have been working together to prepare and respond to the current directives to ensure our buildings, tenants, employees, and contractors are properly protected and represented.

Many of our fellow associations are in locations where "Shelter in Place" and other steps have already been implemented and BOMA Tulsa would like to ensure we are included in any determination of who is considered "essential personnel" should such a step be taken in Tulsa. We have reviewed language from Chicago, IL, King County, WA, New York, NY, and San Francisco, CA executive orders and present the following for your consideration:

For BOMA it is our hope and expectation to have the local authorities, in the event of a mandatory quarantine or "Shelter in Place" directive, ensure that Property Management, Building Engineers, HVAC Technicians, Plumbers, Electricians, Elevator Technicians, and Security Personnel be considered "essential personnel" and to not be prohibited from reporting to or servicing a building. Commercial Buildings each have systems with different requirements for maintenance. The Management Team are the experts who can determine what staffing will be required for safety and security of their properties during this time of unprecedented challenges.

Thank you for this consideration.

Please contact us if we can be of any service to you or our City during this time.

Sincerely,

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