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Stay Home. Stay Healthy. It's the Law.

This morning, Oregon Governor Kate Brown issued a Stay at Home order to all Oregonians in an effort to combat the spread of the COVID-19 Virus.

*"I started by asking Oregonians to stay home and practice social distancing. Then I urged the public to follow these recommendations. Instead, thousands crowded the beaches of our coastal communities, our trails, our parks, and our city streets, potentially spreading COVID-19 and endangering the lives of others across the state. **Now, I'm ordering it.** To save lives and protect our community." - Governor Kate Brown*

In her press release this morning, Governor Brown warned *"Failure to Comply with the order will be considered and immediate danger to public health and subject to a Class C Misdemeanor."*

The Beaverton Police Department is relying on people to do the right thing. "Stay at home and stay healthy as the Governor has requested. We are all in this together," said Beaverton Police Chief Ronda Groshong.

When Chief Groshong was asked about enforcing the Governor's Stay at Home order she added, "Education is our preferred response. Our goal is for everyone to understand the importance of complying with this order. Fines or arrests will come as a last resort, but they will come if people are blatantly disregarding the order."

For more information about Governor Kate Brown's Executive Order please see the link below.

https://govsite-assets.s3.amazonaws.com/jkAULYKcSh6DoDF8wBM0_EO%2020-12.pdf

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