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## STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT SANGAMON COUNTY

KLA, Inc. d/b/a Fox Run Restaurant & Lounge an Illinois Corporation.	)
Plaintiff,	) 2020MR000642
VS.	) Case No. 2020-MR
Mayor James Langfelder, in his official capacity.	) ) )
and	)
City of Springfield, a municipal corporation,	) ) )
Defendants.	,

## PLAINTIFFS' VERIFIED MOTION FOR A PRELMINARY INJUNCTION

COMES NOW Plaintiff, KLA, Inc. d/b/a Fox Run Restaurant & Lounge, by and through its counsel, Thomas DeVore, and DeVore Law Offices, LLC and for its Verified Motion for Preliminary Injunction pursuant 735 ILCS 5/11-102 in this matter, allege as follows:

- A verified petition and its exhibits ("Petition"), which includes as Count IV a request for an adjudication of injunctive relief, has been filed in this matter which Petition is incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. The Verified Petition alleges in Count I that the corporate authorities of Springfield promulgated their Emergency Ordinance which contained an ultra vires provision authorizing the executive of the municipality to re-proclaim the existence of an emergency for 30-day consecutive periods and as such Langfelder's emergency powers ended

- subsequent to April 07, 2020.
- 3. The Verified Petition alleges in Count II that Langfelder failed to provide any findings, or facts supporting those findings, as required by Illinois Law, that an emergency existed within the corporate limits of Springfield and as such his Declaration and resulting emergency powers were void ab initio.
- 4. The Verified Petition alleges in Count III that Langfelder has no authority under Section 11 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act to issue executive orders.
- 5. Fox Run has an absolute right to insist any executive order issued by Langfelder be lawful and enforceable.
- 6. Immediate and irreparable harm is being suffered by Fox Run as every day which passes his business interests are being harmed by Langfelder's, and those under his control, threatened enforcement of these ultra vires executive orders.
- 7. Fox Run requires a preliminary injunction issue to enjoin enforcement of Langfelder's executive orders until the Court renders a final verdict in this matter.
- 8. Fox Run has no other adequate remedy at law to prohibit enforcement of Langfelder's executive orders until such time as the Court renders a final verdict in this matter.
- There is a reasonable likelihood that Fox Run will succeed on the merits of this case in proving Langfelder has no authority under Section 11 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act.
- 10. There is a reasonable likelihood that Fox Run will succeed on the merits of this case in proving Langfelder failed to provide sufficient findings, and facts supporting those findings, that an emergency exists within the corporate limits of Springfield and as such his Declaration and resulting executive orders were void ab initio.

11. Notwithstanding the fatal flaw in paragraph 11 above, Fox Run has shown a likelihood of

success on the merits that Langfelder's emergency power to issue executive orders must

have lapsed as a matter of law following the adjournment of the regular meeting of the

corporate authorities of Springfield on April 07, 2020 as any continuation of that power as

provided in the corporate authorities of Springfield's Emergency Ordinance is void.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiff, Fox Run, respectfully prays that this Court enter an order that

provides for:

A. Entry of a Preliminary Injunction ordering Langfelder, and all administrative agencies

under his control, are hereby immediately enjoined from in anyway enforcing any of the

attached executive orders against Fox Run until a final ruling on the merits in this cause is

had;

B. Such further relief as this Court deems just and equitable.

Respectfully submitted,

By:

/s/ Thomas Devore

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**VERIFICATION** 

Under penalties of perjury as provided by law pursuant to Section 1-109 of the Code of Civil

Procedure, the undersigned certifies that the statements set forth in this instrument are true

and correct except as to matters therein stated to be on information and belief, if any, and as

to such matters the undersigned certifies as aforesaid that the undersigned verily believes the

same to be true.

Date: August 06, 2020

By:

/s/ Keith L. Ayre

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