

Blue Grass Drive-In

Blue Grass, Iowa

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Edward Rivers

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Iowa Department of Human Services
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Des Moines, IA 50319

Dear Edward Rivers, and Kelly Garcia,

First, let me applaud the efforts that your offices have made to keep my family and all Iowans safe in these trying times. As a member of the business community, we will do whatever it takes to make sure our customers are safe.

In a press release dated 03/17/2020 Governor Reynolds announced the issuance of a Proclamation of Disaster Emergency which included the closing of all motion picture theaters in Iowa. In an abundance of caution, and wanting to follow the most strict interpretation of the proclamation we have delayed the planned spring opening of our outdoor drive-in movie theater.

Since the announced closings of most public gatherings, a number of Iowans, small businesses, and religious organizations have reached out to Blue Grass Drive-In to urge our swift opening.

As such I am writing to you today for clarification and guidance regarding the ban on motion picture theaters application to drive-in movie theaters. We would like to find a way to open the drive-in to our community including any needed adjustments such as closing our concessions, selling tickets online, offering free shows, mandating people to stay in their cars, etc...

We will continue to delay our opening until we receive clarification from Iowa and Scott County public health officials.

Sincerely,

Randy Lorenz