

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-R___

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA, RATIFYING THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES' PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY AND CONFIRMING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY REGARDING NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

WHEREAS, Culver City Municipal Code Section 3.09.020.B empowers the City Manager, as the Director of Emergency Services, to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a Local Emergency if the City Council is not in session; and

WHEREAS, novel coronavirus ("COVID-19") has spread globally since December 2019, infecting more than 153,500 persons and killing more than 5,700 individuals worldwide; and

WHEREAS, as of March 16, 2020, according to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), there were over 3,480 COVID-19 cases identified in the United States, including 369 reported cases in California. In Los Angeles County, there have been over 90 confirmed cases of COVID-19 and one death, with additional test results pending; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, as a result of the spread of COVID-19, the Governor of the State of California declared a State of Emergency, and the Los Angeles County Director of Public Health and the Chair of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors each declared a local health emergency on that same date; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, two confirmed cases of COVID-19 were reported in the City of Culver City; and

WHEREAS, due to the expanding list of states and counties with widespread transmission of COVID-19, increasing travel alerts, the significant closure of schools and public facilities, the cancellation of large meetings, gatherings, sports

activities and other community events throughout the country, the escalation of United States domestic cases of and deaths from COVID-19, and the identification of COVID-19 cases in California, Los Angeles County, and in Culver City, COVID-19 has created conditions that are or likely to be beyond the control of local resources and require the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat; and

WHEREAS, the mobilization of local resources, ability to coordinate interagency response, accelerate procurement of vital supplies, use mutual aid, and allow for future reimbursement by the state and federal governments will be critical to successfully responding to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the City Council does hereby find that the aforementioned conditions of extreme peril did warrant and necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Culver City Director of Emergency Services did proclaim a local emergency within the City of Culver City on March 14, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Culver City, California, DOES HEREBY RESOLVE as follows:

- 1. IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that the local emergency proclaimed by the Director of Emergency Services on March 14, 2020 is hereby ratified, and further proclaimed and ordered that said local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the City Council of the City of Culver City, State of California.
- 2. IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED THAT a copy of this proclamation shall be forwarded to the Los Angeles County Office of Emergency Management, to be forwarded to the Director of California Governor's Office of

Emergency Services, requesting that the Director find it acceptable in accordance with State law; and requesting that the Governor of California waive regulations that may hinder response and recovery efforts; that recovery assistance be made available under the California Disaster Assistance Act; and that the State expedite access to State and Federal resources and any other appropriate federal disaster relief programs.

3. IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that this Resolution Confirming the Existence of Local Emergency shall take effect immediately and that widespread publicity and notice shall be given of this Resolution throughout the City.

APPROVED and ADOPTED this 18th day of March 2020.

MEGHAN SAHLI-WELLS, MAYOR City of Culver City, California

CAROL A. SCHWAB, City Attorney

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

JEREMY GREEN, City Clerk

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