



PROCLAMATION NO. 2020-01

**PROCLAMATION OF THE CITY MANAGER OF THE
CITY OF BIG BEAR LAKE, CALIFORNIA, PROCLAIMING
THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, Title 2, Chapter 2.24, Section 2.24.060, Subsection (A)(1) of the Big Bear Lake Municipal Code empowers the City Manager to proclaim a local emergency when the City of Big Bear Lake is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager, in his capacity as Director of Emergency Services of the City, and in accordance with Section 2.24.060(A)(1) of the Big Bear Lake Municipal Code, is authorized to proclaim the existence of a local emergency when the City Council is not in session; and

WHEREAS, conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen within the City of Big Bear Lake caused by the worldwide spread of respiratory illness due to the novel coronavirus known as COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States declared a national emergency on March 13, 2020, and both the State of California and the County of San Bernardino have declared emergencies as a result of the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the County of San Bernardino has reported two cases of COVID-19, several cases have been confirmed in neighboring counties, and the disease is having a global impact; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 has spread globally to over 70 countries, infecting more than 118,000 persons and killing more than 4,200 individuals worldwide; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 has created conditions that are likely to be beyond the control of local resources and require the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat; and

WHEREAS, the City's ability to mobilize local resources, coordinate interagency response, accelerate procurement of vital supplies, use mutual aid, and seek future reimbursement by the State and Federal governments will be critical to successfully responding to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the conditions of extreme peril warrant and necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency.

BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF BIG BEAR LAKE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

SECTION 2. The City Manager of the City of Big Bear Lake hereby proclaims that a local emergency now exists throughout the City.

SECTION 3. During the existence of said local emergency, the powers, functions, and duties of the Director of Emergency Services and the Emergency Organization of this City shall be those prescribed by state law, ordinances, and resolutions of this City and by the City of Big Bear Lake Emergency Plan.

SECTION 4. All City Departments are hereby ordered to track costs associated with staffing, supplies, and equipment related to this emergency and to furnish the Finance Department with such information on a regular basis during the course of the emergency.

SECTION 5. The local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the City Council of the City of Big Bear Lake.

SECTION 6. Severability. If any provision of this Proclamation or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications, and to this end the provisions of this Proclamation are declared to be severable.

SECTION 7. Effective Date. This Proclamation shall become effective immediately and shall expire on the eighth day following execution unless the City Council takes action to ratify the proclamation.

PROCLAIMED by the City Manager this 17th day of March, 2020.



Frank A. Rush, Jr., City Manager
City of Big Bear Lake