

RESOLUTION 2020-18

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRAWLEY, CALIFORNIA
PROCLAIMING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY FOR COVID-19**

WHEREAS, in December 2019, an outbreak of respiratory illness due to a novel coronavirus (a disease now known as COVID-19) was first identified in Wuhan, China, impacting more than 75 countries, including the United States; and

WHEREAS, Governor Gavin Newsom declared a State of Emergency by Executive Order on March 4, 2020 based upon the threat of COVID-19 in the State of California; and

WHEREAS, the County of Imperial Board of Supervisors ratified action taken declaring a local health emergency as of March 3, 2020 based on the imminent and proximate threat to public health from the introduction of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Imperial County Health Officer issued orders on March 17, 2020 as a result of the COVID-19 worldwide pandemic with increasing transmission in California and the significant risk of widespread introduction and transmission throughout Imperial County; and

WHEREAS, the spread of COVID-19 at a rate comparable to the rate of spread in other areas will exceed locally available healthcare resources and create demands beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the City of Brawley; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 9 of the Municipal Code for the City of Brawley provides for the preparation and implementation of plans for the protection of persons and property, the direction of the emergency organization and the coordination of emergency functions; and

WHEREAS, the City of Brawley may declare a local emergency when actual or threatened conditions exist that are of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the City; and

WHEREAS, taking decisive action to limit the potential spread of COVID-19 is necessary for the City of Brawley to reduce risk to the public and protect community health and safety.

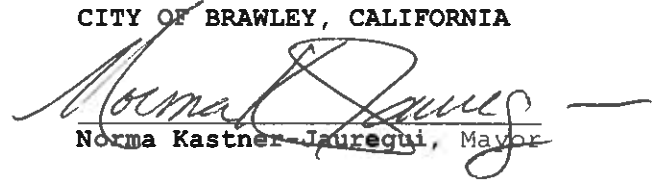
**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRAWLEY DOES HEREBY
RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

1. That the foregoing is true, correct and adopted hereby.
2. That this Resolution is adopted and effective immediately and until as such time as revoked by the City Council or City Manager.
3. That the City Manager as the Director of Emergency Services and the Emergency Operations Center Coordinator shall have the authority defined in Chapter 9 of the Municipal Code and as otherwise provided by State law and City policies and procedures.

4. That the City of Brawley Fire Chief and Police Chief shall both serve as Assistant Directors of Emergency Services.

APPROVED, PASSED AND ADOPTED at an emergency meeting of the City Council of the City of Brawley held on the 19th day of March 2020.

CITY OF BRAWLEY, CALIFORNIA


Norma Kastner-Jauregui, Mayor

ATTEST:


Alma Benavides, City Clerk

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF IMPERIAL
CITY OF BRAWLEY**

I, **ALMA BENAVIDES**, City Clerk of the City of Brawley, California, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing Resolution No. 2020-18 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Brawley, California, at an emergency meeting held on the 19th of March, and that it was so adopted by the following roll call vote: m/s/c Nava/Hamby 5-0

AYES: Couchman, Hamby, Kastner-Jauregui, Nava, Wharton
NAYES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

Dated: March 19, 2020


Alma Benavides, City Clerk