RESOLUTION NO. 09-20
A RESOLUTION OF THE ESCALON CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ESCALON
PROCLAIMING EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City of Escalon (“City”) Municipal Code Section 2.20 empowers the City Council to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when said City is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity; and

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of a Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) as a public health emergency of international concern; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor Gavin Newsom of California proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (“COVID-19”); and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization characterized the COVID-19 outbreak as a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-25-20 which expressly waived some of the Ralph M. Brown Act and Bagley-Keene Act public meeting requirements, so that local agencies can encourage social distancing to prevent the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, despite sustained efforts, the virus remains a threat, and further efforts to control the spread of the virus to reduce and minimize the risk of infection are needed; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the San Joaquin County reported a total of 9 cases of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the City of Escalon (“City”) Council hereby finds that emergency conditions exist, and prompt action is required to prevent the interference with City programs and facilities potentially caused by the spread of COVID-19; and

That the aforesaid conditions of extreme peril warrant and necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED that a local emergency now exists throughout said City; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The City Council does hereby adopt the above Recitals as true, and finds that emergency conditions exist with the City of Escalon.
2. That the City Council does hereby approve and adopts the guidelines of the San Joaquin County Public Health Service and the emergency response plan for the City of Escalon as established by the City Emergency Services Council in response to COVID-19.

3. That City staff is hereby directed to take all steps necessary for the implementation of the Emergency Response Plan for City Facilities, Programs and Services in response to COVID-19, including the development of policies, acknowledgements, public information and education materials, and any other related actions.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 16th day of March 2020 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers KRUMEICH, LAUGERO, ALVES, and Mayor SWIFT
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: MURKEN
ABSTAIN: NONE

ATTEST:

ROBERT SWIFT, Mayor

JAMIE PIRES, Deputy City Clerk