

RESOLUTION NO. 20- 03

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WESTMORLAND
DECLARING A LOCAL EMERGENCY FOR THE COVID-19 CORONAVIRUS**

WHEREAS, Health & Safety Code Section authorizes the Imperial County Health Officer to declare a local health emergency whenever the Health Officer determines that there is an epidemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor of the State of California declared an emergency based upon the threat of the COVID-19 Coronavirus ("COVID-19") within the state; and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2020, the Imperial County Health Officer declared a local health emergency throughout the County based on the imminent and proximate threat to public health from the introduction of the COVID-19 in Imperial County; and

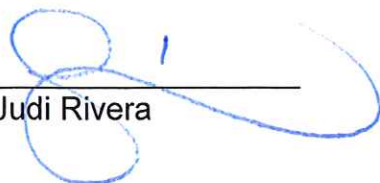
WHEREAS, the City Council hereby finds that there is an imminent and proximate threat to public health from the introduction of COVID-19 in Imperial County, and in the City of Westmorland for the reasons set forth above, that this threat establishes a local emergency as defined by Government Code §8558(c), and that the use of emergency power is warranted to deal with this emergency.

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

1. That the foregoing is true, correct and adopted hereby.
2. That this Resolution is adopted and is effective immediately and until such time as revoked by the City Council.
3. During the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the Director of Emergency Services and the emergency organization of the City shall be those prescribed by state law, by ordinances, and resolution of this City and approved by the City Council on March 18, 2020.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Westmorland, California held on March 18, 2020.

ATTEST:

By: 
Judi Rivera

City of Westmorland

By: 
Ana Beltran, Mayor