

CITY OF HEALDSBURG

RESOLUTION NO. 25-2020

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HEALDSBURG RATIFYING THE CITY MANAGER'S PROCLAMATION OF THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY DUE TO THE WORLDWIDE SPREAD OF THE CORONAVIRUS ("COVID-19")

WHEREAS, the California Emergency Services Act (California Government Code sections 8639, 8550, et. seq.) defines a local emergency as the existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the territorial limits of a city, caused by conditions such as an epidemic, which are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of a city, and require the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 9, section 9.04.010 of the City of Healdsburg ("City") Municipal Code defines emergency as the actual or threatened existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within this City, including conditions such as an epidemic, which are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of this City, requiring the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 9, section 9.04.050(A) of the City of Healdsburg ("City") Municipal Code designates the City Manager as the Director of Emergency Services for the City; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 9, section 9.04.060 empowers the City Manager, as the Director of Emergency Services, to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when the City Council is not in session so long as such proclamation is ratified by the City Council within seven (7) days; and

WHEREAS, in December 2019 and January 2020, reports began spreading worldwide of a flu-like virus first found in China, that was more deadly than the flu generally, with the virus becoming known as the Coronavirus ("COVID-19"); and

WHEREAS, from January 2020 to March 2020, COVID-19 spread throughout the world, with over 100,000 confirmed cases of individuals contracting COVID-19, and over 3,000 confirmed cases of individuals dying from COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 2, 2020, the Director of the County of Sonoma Department of Emergency Services ("County DHS") proclaimed a Local Emergency due to the threat of COVID-19 in the County; and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2020, the Director of County DHS had confirmed two presumptive positive cases of COVID-19 in Sonoma County; and

WHEREAS, as of March 8, 2020, the World Health Organization (“WHO”) has confirmed 105,586 cases of COVID-19 internationally, with 3,171 cases resulting in death; and

WHEREAS, as of March 10, 2020, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) has confirmed 647 cases of COVID-19 in the United States, with 25 cases resulting in death, with thirty-six (36) jurisdictions reporting cases, including California; and

WHEREAS, on or about March 4, 2020, as part of the State of California’s response to address the global COVID-19 outbreak, Governor Gavin Newsom declared a State of Emergency to make additional resources available, formalize emergency actions already underway across multiple state agencies and departments, and help the state prepare for broader spread of COVID-19 following one official COVID-19 death;

WHEREAS, based on said events, the City Manager of the City of Healdsburg declared the existence of a local emergency within the City at 8:00 A.M. on March 12, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Proclamation of the Existence of a Local Emergency issued by the City Manager acting as the Director of Emergency Services is hereby confirmed and ratified by the City Council of the City of Healdsburg; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist and shall be reviewed at least once every 60 days until its termination is proclaimed by the City Council of the City of Healdsburg per California Government Code section 8630; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Manager or his designee is authorized to take whatever other action is authorized under the Healdsburg Municipal Code and state and federal law, subject to any required authorization from the City Council, consistent with this Resolution and its basic purposes.

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

AYES: Councilmembers: (5) Hagele, McCaffery, Mitchell, Naujokas and Mayor Gold

NOES: Councilmembers: (0) None

ABSENT: Councilmembers: (0) None

ABSTAINING: Councilmembers: (0) None

SO ORDERED:

ATTEST:



Leah Gold, Mayor



Raina Allan, Acting City Clerk

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I, RAINA ALLAN, Acting City Clerk of the City of Healdsburg, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of Resolution No. 25-2020 adopted by the City Council of the City of Healdsburg on the 16th day of March, 2020.



Raina Allan, Acting City Clerk

