PROCLAMATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY BY THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

WHEREAS, Section 2.99.030(c) of the Marin County Code appoints the County Administrator, or his or her representative, as the Assistant Director of Emergency Services and Section 2.99.035(c) empowers the Assistant Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when the County of Marin is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the County Board of Supervisors is not in session; and

WHEREAS, the Assistant Director of Emergency Services does hereby find:

That conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property now exist in Marin County caused by novel coronavirus (COVID-19), an infectious disease that causes respiratory illness, first detected in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China in December 2019; and

On January 30, 2020, the International Health Regulations Emergency Committee of the World Health Organization (WHO) declared the outbreak a "public health emergency of international concern" (PHEIC); and, on January 31, 2020, Health and Human Services Secretary Alex M. Azar II declared a public health emergency (PHE) for the United States; and,

Since February 2, travelers to the United States who have been in China in the preceding 14 days have been limited to U.S. citizens and lawful permanent residents; and,

There is a widespread, ongoing global outbreak of respiratory illness (COVID-19) that can be spread from person to person, and on February 26, 2020, community transmission was confirmed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in the Bay Area;

There is an imminent and proximate threat of medical surge, and these conditions are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of said County; and

The Marin County Board of Supervisors is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session; and

The Assistant Director of Emergency Services has made every reasonable effort to confer with the Director of Emergency Services and/or with one or more members of the Board of Supervisors.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES PROCLAIMS AND ORDERS that conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen throughout Marin County and a local emergency now exists in Marin County; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that a copy of this proclamation be forwarded through the State Director of the Office of Emergency Services to the Governor of California with the request that he proclaim the County of Marin to be in a state of emergency; and that the County of Marin formally requests assistance, including but not limited to, through a Director's Concurrence, Governor's Proclamation of a State of Emergency, Executive Order, California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA) funding, Federal Individual Assistance Act, U.S. Small Business Administration Disaster Declaration, and a Presidential Declaration of Emergency to assist with losses and emergency measures required by the County and affected cities and special districts within the County; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the emergency organization of the County of Marin shall

be those prescribed by state law, by ordinances, and resolutions of the County of Marin; and that this emergency proclamation shall expire 7 days after issuance unless confirmed and ratified by the Marin County Board of Supervisors.

SIGNED AND SUBSCRIBED at the offices of the Marin County Administrator on this 3rd day of March, 2020.

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Assistant Director of Emergency Services