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PROCLAMATION OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES PROCLAIMING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY RELATED TO 2019 NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

WHEREAS, a novel coronavirus, COVID-19, causes infectious disease and was first detected in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China in December 2019. Symptoms of COVID-19 include fever, cough, and shortness of breath; outcomes have ranged from mild to severe illness, and in some cases death; and

WHEREAS, this rapidly evolving multinational outbreak of respiratory disease has been detected in 75 countries and territories, including, as of March 2, 2020, at least eighty-six (86) confirmed cases of COVID-19 and two (2) confirmed fatalities in the United States, as well as nearly eighty-nine-thousand (89,000) confirmed cases of COVID-19 and three thousand (3000) fatalities worldwide; and

WHEREAS, as of March 2, 2020, California has had at least five cases suspected to have been contracted due to community spread. Community spread is defined as the transmission of the virus without known contact with an individual with the virus, and without known connection with travel to or from a location where the virus is known to be rapidly spreading in China, Iran, Italy, and South Korea. Further, wide ranging community spread originating from Seattle is newly recognized; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 tests used in the U.S. currently have very limited availability based on current CDC criteria; and

WHEREAS, there are confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the counties surrounding Mendocino County, including both the Counties of Humboldt and Sonoma; and

WHEREAS, while there are no known cases of COVID-19 in Mendocino County as of the signing of this declaration, the CDC and California Department of Public Health are recommending that our Nation and State prepare for a possible pandemic of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer/Director of Emergency Services now proclaims that a local emergency exists throughout Mendocino County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer/Director of Emergency Services proclaims that:

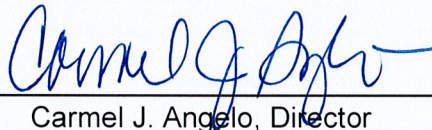
1. Conditions of extreme peril to safety of persons and property have arisen within Mendocino County due to 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19).

2. As a consequence of said conditions and pursuant to Government Code section 8630 and Mendocino County Code section 7.04.050, a local emergency now exists throughout Mendocino County concerning the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19).
3. During this local emergency the powers, functions and duties of the Mendocino County Chief Executive Officer and the emergency organization of Mendocino County shall be those prescribed by State law, and the ordinances, resolutions, and approved emergency services plans of the County of Mendocino.
4. This proclamation shall be submitted to the Director of the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services requesting a Director's Concurrence as well as making California Disaster Assistance and all applicable state funding and resources available to the County.

WHEREUPON, the Director of Emergency Services declared said Proclamation adopted and SO ORDERED.

3.4.2020

Date



Carmel J. Angelo, Director
Office of Emergency Services
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