PROCLAMATION OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES PROCLAIMING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY RELATED TO SEPTEMBER 2020 FIRES

WHEREAS, the August Complex Fire, which includes 37 fires, emerged on August 17, 2020, burned over 470,000 acres and currently at 24% containment; and

WHEREAS, the Oak Fire emerged on September 7, 2020, burned over 860 acres, destroyed multiple structures, currently at 25% containment, threatening over 800 residential structures, and leaving over 4,000 residents are under mandatory evacuation; and

WHEREAS, the Hopkins Fire has burned over 15,000 acres and merged with the Elkhorn, Vinegar Peak and Willow Basin Fires; 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 September 2020 Fires.
- 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 September 2020 Fires.
- 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 Act Assistance and all applicable state funding and resources available to the County, and seek all available forms of disaster assistance and relief programs, including a request for a Presidential Declaration of a Major Disaster.

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

September 10, 2020

Date

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Office of Emergency Services
Mendocino County