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CITY MANAGER'S PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Collins is threatened with serious injury and damage, consisting of widespread human and economic impact caused by the Novel Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2020, the State of Colorado identified its first positive case of COVID-19, and Colorado has begun to experience limited community spread; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, Larimer County identified its first positive case of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, President Donald J. Trump declared a National Emergency on March 13, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 event; and

WHEREAS, Governor Jared Polis declared a State of Emergency in the State of Colorado on March 10, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 event; and

WHEREAS, the Larimer County Director of Public Health has recommended that a local emergency be declared in Larimer County in response to the COVID-19 event; and

WHEREAS, Larimer County declared a Local Disaster Emergency on March 13, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 event; and

WHEREAS, Colorado State University has announced that all classes will be migrating to online learning beginning March 25, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Poudre School District has announced remote learning for students, beginning on March 23, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Larimer County Department of Public Health and Environment, state officials, Colorado State University and the Poudre School District are cooperatively working to limit community spread and slow the transmission of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2-671(a)(1) of the Code of the City of Fort Collins, the City Manager, as Director of the City's Office of Emergency Management, is empowered to proclaim the existence of a "local emergency" as defined by Section 2-666 of the City Code for the actual or threatened existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the City, including epidemics; and

WHEREAS, the current situation and conditions described above constitute such a local emergency; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Fort Collins that a local emergency be proclaimed and that the Emergency Operations Plan, established pursuant to Section 2-673 of the City Code, be activated.



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NOW, THEREFORE, the City Manager of the City of Fort Collins, as the Director of the City's Office of Emergency Management, hereby finds and proclaims as follows:

1. That the findings and determinations set forth above in the recitals are hereby adopted;
2. That the current situation and conditions described above constitute a local emergency as defined by Section 2-666 of the City Code;
3. That it is in the best interests of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Fort Collins that a local emergency be proclaimed and that the Emergency Operations Plan, established pursuant to Section 2-673 of the City Code, be activated;
4. That pursuant to Section 2-671(a)(1) of the City Code, the existence of a local emergency as defined by Section 2-666 of the City Code, is hereby proclaimed;
5. That the activation of the City's Emergency Operations Plan, as established pursuant to Section 2-673 of the City Code, is hereby authorized and ordered; and
6. That this Proclamation shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the City Clerk or the Larimer County Clerk and Recorder and with the State Division of Local Government, Colorado Office of Emergency Management.

DATED this 13th day of March, 2020.

Darin Atteberry, City Manager

ATTEST:

City Clerk / *Chief Deputy*

