RESOLUTION NO. 19-20


WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 8630 and Richmond Municipal Code Section 2.20.060 empower the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when said city is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the City Council is not in session, provided that the emergency proclamation is ratified by the City Council within seven days; and

WHEREAS, conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen within said city, caused by the COVID-19 outbreak, commencing on or about 9:00 a.m. on March 10, 2020; at which time the City Council was not in session; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Services of the City of Richmond did proclaim the existence of a local emergency within said city on March 10, 2020; and

WHEREAS, said City Council does hereby find that the aforesaid conditions of extreme peril did warrant and necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED, by the City Council of the City of Richmond that the City Council hereby ratifies the proclamation of a local emergency which was issued by the Director of Emergency Services.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the Director of Emergency Services and the emergency organization of this city shall be those prescribed by state law, by ordinances, and resolutions of this city and by the City of Richmond SEMS/NIMS Emergency Operations Plan and its Emergency Services Functions Annex as approved by the City Council on December 17, 2019.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that said local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the City Council of the City of Richmond, State of California.

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that the Governor of California be requested to make available all relevant funds to the City and eligible community members and businesses, and critical infrastructure including but not limited to, California Disaster Assistance Act funds and State Private Nonprofit Organizations Assistance Program funds; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that the Governor be requested to forward a copy of this proclamation to the President of the United States to seek a Presidential Declaration of a Federal Emergency and make all relevant funds available to the City of Richmond and eligible community members and businesses, including, but not limited to, aid provided by Small Business Administration to help the County of Contra Costa and the City of Richmond to keep the high level of response, recovery, and mitigation measures necessary to make our communities resilient from this disaster.

***************

Reso. No. 19-20
Page 1 of 2
I certify that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting thereof held March 17, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Choi, Johnson, Martinez, Myrick, Willis, Vice Mayor Bates, and Mayor Butt.

NOES: None.

ABSTENTIONS: None.

ABSENT: None.

PAMELA CHRISTIAN
CLERK OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND
(SEAL)

Approved:

TOM BUTT
Mayor

Approved as to form:

BRUCE GOODMILLER
City Attorney

State of California  }
County of Contra Costa : ss.
City of Richmond  }

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of Resolution No. 19-20, finally passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Richmond at a regular meeting held on March 17, 2020.

Pamela Christian, Clerk of the City of Richmond