

DECLARATION OF THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY
CITY OF GROVER BEACH
March 16, 2020

Whereas, Grover Beach Municipal Code Article 5, Chapter 3, section 5034(A)(1) empowers the City Manager, acting as the Director of Emergency Services, to proclaim a local emergency when the existence or threatened existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons or property within the City exists and the City Council is not in session; and

Whereas, the City Manager, as Director of Emergency Services of the City of Grover Beach, does hereby find that:

1. Threatened existence of conditions of extreme peril to the health and safety of persons in Grover Beach could result from the increasing spread of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) across the state; and
2. The federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has confirmed numerous cases of individuals who have severe respiratory illness caused by COVID-19 as well as deaths caused by this illness; and
3. The World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic; and
4. On March 4, 2020, California Governor Gavin Newsom declared a State of Emergency to make additional resources available, formalize emergency actions already underway across multiple state agencies and departments, and help the state prepare for broader spread of COVID-19; and
5. On March 13, 2020, the County San Luis Obispo County Health Officer declared a public health emergency and the County Emergency Services Director proclaimed a local emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and
6. On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a National Emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and
7. The declaration of a local emergency will assist in a coordinated public health response to reduce transmission and illness severity, provide assistance to health care providers, coordinate and mitigate public services that may be disrupted from this emergency, enable reimbursement of related City costs, and mitigate any other effects of this emergency on the citizens of the City of Grover Beach; and
8. Under California Government Code section 8630(b) and Grover Beach Municipal Code Article 5, Chapter 3, Section 5304(A)(1), a declaration of local emergency must be ratified by the City Council of Grover Beach within seven (7) days to remain in effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DECLARED, that a local emergency now exists throughout the City of Grover Beach; and

IT IS FURTHER DECLARED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the emergency organization of the City of Grover Beach shall be those prescribed by state law, by ordinances and resolutions of the City of Grover Beach and that this emergency declaration shall expire in seven (7) days after issuance unless confirmed and ratified by the City Council of the City of Grover Beach.

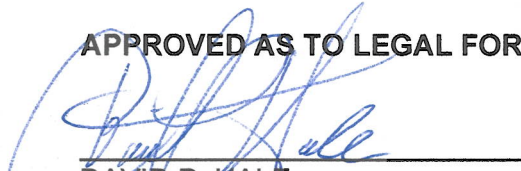
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MATTHEW BRONSON

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APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:



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