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DECLARATION OF LOCAL DISASTER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, BEGINNING IN DECEMBER 2019, A NOVEL CORONAVIRUS, NOW DESIGNATED COVID-19, WAS DETECTED IN WUHAN CITY, HUBEI PROVINCE, CHINA, AND HAS SINCE SPREAD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD; AND

WHEREAS, SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19 INCLUDE FEVER, COUGHING, AND SHORTNESS OF BREATH, IN SOME CASES THE VIRUS HAS CAUSED DEATH; AND

WHEREAS, EXTRAORDINARY MEASURES MUST BE TAKEN TO CONTAIN COVID-19 AND PREVENT ITS SPREAD THROUGHOUT THE TOWN OF RANCHO VIEJO, INCLUDING THE QUARANTINE OF INDIVIDUALS, GROUPS OF INDIVIDUALS, AND PROPERTY AND, ADDITIONALLY, INCLUDING COMPELLING INDIVIDUALS, GROUPS OF INDIVIDUALS, OR PROPERTY TO UNDERGO ADDITIONAL HEALTH MEASURES THAT PREVENT OR CONTROL THE SPREAD OF DISEASE; AND

WHEREAS, ON MARCH 20, 2020, THE MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF RANCHO VIEJO DECLARED A LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER, WHICH HAS BEEN RENEWED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN BY RESOLUTION ADOPTED ON APRIL 14, 2020, MAY 12, 2020, JUNE 9, 2020, JULY 14, 2020, AUGUST 11, 2020, SEPTEMBER 8, 2020, OCTOBER 12, 2020, NOVEMBER 17, 2020, AND DECEMBER 8, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE MAYOR OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF RANCHO VIEJO:

1. THAT A LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY IS HEREBY DECLARED FOR THE TOWN OF RANCHO VIEJO, TEXAS PURSUANT TO SECTION §418.108(A) OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE.
2. PURSUANT TO §418.108(B) OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE, THE STATE OF DISASTER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY SHALL CONTINUE FOR A PERIOD OF NOT MORE THAN THIRTY DAYS STARTING

JANUARY 20, 2021 TO FEBRUARY 19, 2021 UNLESS CONTINUED OR RENEWED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF RANCHO VIEJO.

3. PURSUANT TO §418.108(C) OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE, THIS DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY SHALL BE GIVEN PROMPT AND GENERAL PUBLICITY AND SHALL BE FILED PROMPTLY WITH THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR.
4. PURSUANT TO §418.108(D) OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE, THIS DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER ACTIVATES THE TOWN'S EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN.
5. THAT THIS PROCLAMATION SHALL TAKE EFFECT STARTING JANUARY 20, 2021 UNTIL FEBRUARY 19, 2021, UNLESS TERMINATED EARLIER BY OPERATION OF LAW OR FURTHER ACTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

ORDERED THIS 12TH DAY OF JANUARY 2021, PURSUANT TO THE ACTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN ON SAID DATE.

CYNDIE RATHBUN,

TOWN OF RANCHO VIEJO MAYOR
RANCHO VIEJO, TEXAS

