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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, AND OCTOBER 12, 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 NOVEMBER 20, 2020 TO DECEMBER 19, 2020 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 NOVEMBER 20, 2020 UNTIL DECEMBER 19, 2020, UNLESS TERMINATED EARLIER BY OPERATION OF LAW OR FURTHER ACTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

ORDERED THIS 17<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER 2020, PURSUANT TO THE ACTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN ON SAID DATE.

CYNDIE RATHBUN,

  
TOWN OF RANCHO VIEJO MAYOR  
RANCHO VIEJO, TEXAS

