

CITY OF YORBA LINDA

PROCLAMATION OF THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY  
BY THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

**WHEREAS**, Section 2.32.050 of the Yorba Linda Municipal Code designates the City Manager as the City's Director of Emergency Services.

**WHEREAS**, Section 2.32.060 of the Yorba Linda Municipal Code empowers the Director of Emergency Services, to request the City Council to proclaim the existence of a Local Emergency if the Council is in session, or to issue such proclamation if the Council is not in session.

**WHEREAS**, conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons has arisen both internationally and within the United States as a result of the introduction of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), a novel communicable disease, which was first detected in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China in December 2019;

**WHEREAS**, COVID-19 has spread globally to over 70 countries, infecting more than 169,000 persons and killing more than 6,500 individuals worldwide;

**WHEREAS**, due to the expanding list of countries with widespread transmission of COVID-19, and increasing travel alerts and warning for countries experiencing sustained or uncontrolled community transmission issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), COVID-19 has created conditions that are more likely to be beyond the control of local resources and require the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat;

**WHEREAS**, the President of the United States, the Governor of the State of California, and the County of Orange have already declared that National, State, and local health emergencies exist;

**WHEREAS**, on March 4, 2020 the Governor of the State of California issued Executive Order N-25-20 in order to address the threats and challenges posed by COVID-19;

**WHEREAS**, since issuing Executive Order N-25-20 the Governor of the State of California has taken additional actions to address COVID-19 including by having released statewide guidance, urging the highest risk population (individuals who are 65 years or older, or have a compromised immune system) to self-isolate at home, and further the

President of the United States announced revised guidelines for addressing COVID-19 including a recommendation that gatherings be limited to ten or fewer persons;

**WHEREAS**, the City's ability to mobilize local resources, coordinate interagency response, accelerate procurement of vital supplies, use mutual aid, and seek future reimbursement by the State and Federal governments will be critical to successfully responding to COVID-19;

**WHEREAS**, the Director of Emergency Services believes and has concluded that the above-described conditions of extreme peril warrant a proclamation of local emergency;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Director of Emergency Services of the City of Yorba Linda proclaims, declares and orders as follows:

**Section 1:** Pursuant to 2.32.060 of the Yorba Linda Municipal Code and California Government Code Section 8630, it is hereby proclaimed that a local emergency now exists in the City of Yorba Linda and for this emergency assistance and aid is requested from Federal, State and County governance to the City, individuals and businesses affected thereby.

**Section 2:** Pursuant to Yorba Linda Municipal Code Sections 2.32.060 the Director of Emergency Services is empowered to adopt rules, policies and regulations to protect the Public, to protect life and property, and to ensure the availability of essential City services.

**Section 3:** Additional or different emergency measures may be implemented by the Director of Emergency Services pursuant to Section 2.32.060 of the Yorba Linda Municipal Code as deemed reasonable or necessary to address the quickly changing, very fluid emergency situation.

City Manager/Director of Emergency Services: \_\_\_\_\_



Mark Pulone

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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