

**CITY OF RIVERSIDE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY REGARDING NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

WHEREAS, the California Emergency Services Act (Government Code section 8550, *et seq.*), Government Code section 8630, and Riverside Municipal Code sections 2.68.010 and 9.20.060 empower the Director of Emergency Services and the Riverside City Council to proclaim a Local Emergency when the City Council is not in session when there exist conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the territorial limits of the City of Riverside which are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the City and require the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat; and

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2020, the Riverside County's Public Health Officer declared a local health emergency based on an imminent and proximate threat to public health from the introduction of a Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Riverside County; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, the County of Riverside proclaimed a local emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of California proclaimed a State of Emergency on March 4, 2020, pursuant to the authority vested in him, particularly, Government Code section 8625; and

WHEREAS, the Governor has waived the 60-day time period in Government Code section 8630, within which a local governing authority must renew a local emergency, for the duration of the statewide emergency, and further, has ordered that any such local emergency will remain in effect until each local governing authority terminates its respective local emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Services hereby finds:

(1) That at the time of this Proclamation the Riverside City Council is not in session; and

(2) That there exist conditions of a disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the territorial limits of the City of Riverside that are beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the City for the reasons of COVID-19 and as set forth in the Public Health Officer's Declaration of a Local Health Emergency and County Local Emergency;

1 (3) That the aforementioned conditions are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services,
2 personnel, equipment, and facilities of the City of Riverside and require the combined forces
3 of other political subdivisions to combat; and

4 (4) That the aforesaid conditions warrant and necessitate the Proclamation of a Local Emergency.

5 NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED that a Local Emergency exists throughout
6 the City of Riverside, commencing on or about 12:00 P.m of the 13TH day of MARCH, and

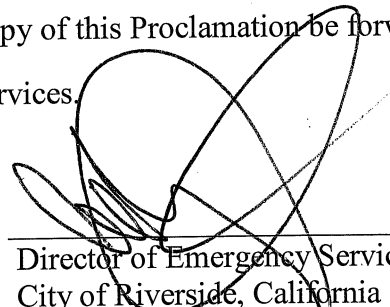
7 IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said Local
8 Emergency, the powers, functions and duties of the Director of Emergency Services and the emergency
9 organization of this City shall be those prescribed by state law, by charter, ordinances, resolutions, and
10 approved plans of the City of Riverside in order to mitigate the effects of said emergency; and

11 IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that all City officials and employees
12 cooperate and coordinate efforts with officials and employees of other political subdivisions and officials
13 and employees of the county, state and federal government in bringing the present condition of the Local
14 Emergency under control; and

15 IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that the Local Emergency shall be deemed to
16 continue to exist for the next seven (7) days, and thereafter by ratification of the City Council, until its
17 termination is proclaimed by the City Council of the City of Riverside; and

18 IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that a copy of this Proclamation be forwarded to
19 the Director of the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services.

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21 Dated: 3/13/20



Director of Emergency Services
City of Riverside, California