

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-13

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
LA PALMA PROCLAIMING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL
EMERGENCY BY THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY
SERVICES**

WHEREAS, Section 24-5 of the La Palma Municipal Code designates the City Manager as the Director of Emergency Services for the La Palma Emergency Organization;

WHEREAS, Section 24-6 of the La Palma Municipal Code authorizes the Director of Emergency Services, if the City Council is not in session, to proclaim the existence of a local emergency, which includes the “existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the territorial limits of the City”;

WHEREAS, conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons has arisen both internationally and domestically as a result of the introduction of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), a novel communicable disease, which was first detected in China in 2019;

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

WHEREAS, due to the expanding list of countries with widespread transmission of COVID-19, and increasing travel alerts and warnings for countries experienced uncontrolled community transmission issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), COVID-19 has created conditions that are 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, Governor of the State of California, and the Board of Supervisors for the County of Orange have already declared that National, State, and local health emergencies exist;

WHEREAS, the Governor of California has released a statewide guidance, urging the highest risk population (individuals who are 65 years or older, or have compromised immune system) to self-isolate at home;

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 and safety warrant a proclamation of local emergency; and

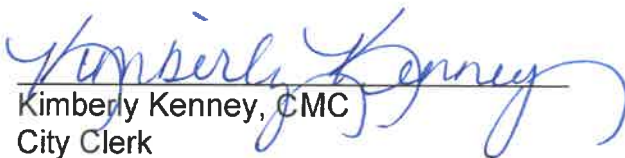
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of La Palma does hereby proclaim La Palma to be in a State of Emergency for conditions resulting from COVID-19, and pursuant to Chapter 24 of the La Palma Municipal Code and California Government Code Section 8630, it is hereby proclaimed that for this emergency, assistance and aid is requested from Federal, State, and County governance to the City, individuals, and businesses affected thereby.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of La Palma at a Regular Meeting held on the 17th day of March, 2020.



Peter L. Kim
Mayor

ATTEST:



Kimberly Kenney, CMC
City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF ORANGE) SS
CITY OF LA PALMA)

I, KIMBERLY KENNEY, City Clerk of the City of La Palma, California, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the City Council of said City at a regular meeting of said City Council held on the 17th day of March 2020, and that it was so adopted by called vote as follows:

AYES: Goedhart, Goodman, Kim, Patel, and Steggell

NOES: None



Kimberly Kenney, CMC
City Clerk