

RESOLUTION No. 20- 8474

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF PLUMAS
PROCLAMING A LOCAL EMERGENCY IN PLUMAS COUNTY DUE TO THE POTENTIAL
INTRODUCTION OF COVID-19 IN THE COUNTY OF PLUMAS**

(4/5 AFFIRMATIVE VOTE REQUIRED)

WHEREAS, the origination of the novel COVID-19 (“Coronavirus”) in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China, in December 2019, consisting of tens of thousands of cases in China that are reportedly being spread person-to-person and also being reported in a growing number of countries, including the United States; and

WHEREAS, the reported number of COVID-19 cases has escalated dramatically over a short period of time, resulting in the World Health Organization (WHO) declaring on January 20, 2020 that the outbreak constitutes a “public health emergency of international concern;” and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the United States Health and Human Services Secretary Alex M. Azar II declared a public health emergency for the United States to aid the Nation’s healthcare community in responding to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has determined that COVID-19 presents a serious public health threat; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 cases are being reported in California, including counties in Northern California neighboring Plumas County; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor of the State of California Proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in California due to the current and potential impacts caused by the COVID-19 and to combat the spread of COVID-19 broadly; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national emergency to respond to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, the Plumas County Director of Emergency Services declared a Local Emergency due to the potential introduction of COVID-19 in Plumas County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors finds that the rapid spread of COVID-19 by person- to-person contact, combined with the proximity of confirmed cases to the County of Plumas constitutes a local emergency and emergency situation as set forth in California Government Code sections 8630 and 54956.5; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid conditions of extreme peril warrant and necessitate the Proclamation of the Existence of a Local Emergency; and

WHEREAS, these conditions are likely to be beyond the control, capacity, and resources of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of Plumas County, and local resources are unable to cope with the effects of said emergency; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid emergency necessitates the immediate expenditure of public monies to protect health, safety and property without complying with competitive bidding and other local

purchasing, bidding, and procurement requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Plumas, State of California hereby Confirms and Proclaims that a local emergency now exists throughout Plumas County due to the rapid spread of COVID-19 in the State of California.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Plumas, State of California hereby directs that:

1. The Proclamation of Existence of a Local Emergency shall be renewed and deemed to continue to exist as provided by state law or until its termination is proclaimed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Plumas.
2. The Director of Emergency Services for the County of Plumas is hereby designated as the authorized representative of the County of Plumas for the purpose of receipt, processing, and coordination of all inquiries and requirements necessary to obtain available State and Federal assistance.
3. During the existence of said local emergency, competitive bidding and other local purchasing, bidding, and procurement requirements related to the Local Emergency are suspended.
4. The Director of Emergency Services or his designee immediately forward a certified copy of this resolution proclaiming a local emergency to the Governor of California with a request that the Governor continue to maintain a State of Emergency for the County of Plumas.
5. During the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the Director of Emergency Services, or his designee, and the emergency organization of the County shall be those prescribed by state law, local ordinance and resolutions of this county approved by the Board of Supervisors, as approved by the Board of Supervisors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Plumas, State of California, on March 17, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: SUPERVISORS SIMPSON, THRALL, ENGEL, GOSS

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Lori Simpson
Kevin Goss, Chair Lori Simpson, SUPERVISOR
Plumas County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST


Nancy DaForno
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors