## PROCLAMATION NO. 2020-01

## PROCLAMATION OF THE TOWN MANAGER OF THE TOWN OF APPLE VALLEY PROCLAIMING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY

**WHEREAS,** Chapter 2.40 of the Apple Valley Municipal Code empowers the Town Manager to proclaim a local emergency when the Town of Apple Valley is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Manager, in his capacity as Director of Emergency Services of the Town, and in accordance with Section 2.40.060.A(1) of the Apple Valley Municipal Code, is authorized to proclaim the existence of a local emergency when the Town Council is not in session; and

**WHEREAS**, conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen within the Town of Apple Valley caused by the worldwide spread of respiratory illness due to the novel coronavirus known as COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, both the State of California and the County of San Bernardino have declared emergencies as a result of the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 21, 2020, the Town was aware of just ten cases of COVID-19 infection within the County of San Bernardino, many cases have been confirmed in neighboring counties and the disease is having a global impact; and

**WHEREAS,** on March 19, 2020, according to the World Health Organization's Situation Report – 59, COVID-19 has spread globally to over 100 countries, infecting more than 209,000 persons and killing more than 8,700 individuals worldwide; and

WHEREAS, 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; and

WHEREAS, the Town'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; and

**WHEREAS**, the conditions of extreme peril warrant and necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency.

## BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE TOWN MANAGER OF THE TOWN OF APPLE VALLEY AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>. The above recitals are true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein by this reference.

<u>Section 2</u>. The Town Manager of the Town of Apple Valley hereby proclaims that a local emergency now exists throughout the Town.

<u>Section 3</u>. During the existence of said local emergency, the powers, functions, and duties of the Director of Emergency Services and the Emergency Organization of this Town shall be those prescribed by state law, ordinances, and resolutions of this Town and by the Town of Apple Valley Emergency Plan.

<u>Section 4</u>. All Town Departments are hereby ordered to track costs associated with staffing, supplies, and equipment related to this emergency and to furnish the Finance Department with such information on a regular basis during the course of the emergency.

<u>Section 5</u>. The local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the Town Council of the Town of Apple Valley.

<u>Section 6</u>. Severability. If any provision of this Proclamation or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications, and to this end the provisions of this Proclamation are declared to be severable.

<u>Section 7</u>. Effective Date. This Proclamation shall become effective immediately and shall expire on the eighth day following execution unless the Town Council takes action to ratify the proclamation.

PROCLAIMED this 21 day of March 2020.

Town Manager/

**Director of Emergency Services** 

Town of Apple Valley