

COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO CALIFORNIA

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For the Agenda of: March 10, 2020 Timed: 9:30 AM

To:

Board of Supervisors

Through:

Navdeep S. Gill, County Executive

From:

Peter Beilenson, Director, Health Services

Stephen Cantelme, Chief, Office of Emergency Services

Subject:

Request Ratification Of Proclamations Of State Of Local

Emergency And Local Public Health Emergency For Novel

Coronavirus Disease Epidemic COVID-19

District(s):

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RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

- 1. Adopt the attached Resolution ratifying the Proclamation of Local Public Health Emergency dated March 5, 2020, in response to the Novel Coronavirus Disease Epidemic COVID-19; and
- 2. Adopt the attached Resolution ratifying the Proclamation of State of Local Emergency dated March 5, 2020, in response to the Novel Coronavirus Disease Epidemic COVID-19.

BACKGROUND

An outbreak of respiratory illness due to a novel coronavirus (a disease now known as COVID-19) has spread to more than 75 countries, including the United States and residents within Sacramento County. On January 30, 2020, the International Health Regulations Emergency Committee of the World Health Organization declared the outbreak a "public health emergency of international concern."

Sacramento County has closely collaborated with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), California Department of Public Health (CDPH), the Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES), local health departments and emergency management agencies. Recent events within California have increased the need for staff support, resource procurement and evaluation of community health needs.

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In accordance with Sacramento County Code Section 2.46.130 the Public Health Officer proclaimed a Public Health Emergency (ATT 1) on March 5, 2020. In accordance with Sacramento County Code Section 2.46.120 the County Executive proclaimed a State of Local Emergency (ATT 2) on March 5, 2020. These proclamations will allow for potential liability coverage for disaster service workers while performing services related to the public health response. In addition, these actions allow the County governing body to enact ordinances for emergency protective measures for life and safety.

Although there are three confirmed cases of COVID-19 and one preliminary positive in Sacramento County, this is a rapidly evolving situation and the County wants to ensure all resources are readily available in the event of further cases of COVID-19 in Sacramento County. The proclamations of State of Local Emergency and Local Public Health Emergency do not signify a current increase in risk to the residents of Sacramento County. The proclamations do enable the County to more effectively respond to any future cases of COVID-19, seek and utilize mutual aid, obtain federal funds (if available), and ensure that the County's resources and public health professionals, as well as the community at large, have all necessary tools at their disposal to keep the community safe. Sacramento County Public Health continues to monitor the rapidly changing worldwide response to COVID-19 and to provide testing resources regionally through the public health laboratory.

On March 4, 2020, the Governor of California declared a State of Emergency (ATT 3) to make additional resources available, formalize emergency actions already underway across multiple state agencies and departments, and to help the state prepare for broader spread of COVID-19.

The Governor's Declaration of a State of Emergency waived the requirement for the Board of Supervisors to renew the local emergency (every 60 days) and local health emergency (every 30 days) for the duration of the statewide emergency. The proclamations will remain in place until terminated by the Board of Supervisors by resolution.

The Governor has authorized use of California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA) funding which provides reimbursement of 75 percent of emergency costs, with the County bearing 25 percent of emergency costs. There is currently no federal declaration in place allowing Stafford Act funding. These proclamations are not predicated on the availability of funding, rather they provide insight into potential resource availability and constraints.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

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The Sacramento County Department of Health Services (DHS) and the Office of Emergency Services is currently absorbing the costs associated with staff time, commodity procurement, and resource allocation and tracking. Specific costs incurred to date are being tabulated and will be reported as additional fiscal tracking continues. The Governor, in his proclamation dated March 4, 2020, has made available CDAA funding along with mutual aid resources from within the state and through the Emergency Management Assistance Compact.

In the event that federal funds will be released to local health jurisdictions, the DHS will be in position to request funds to offset the costs incurred while responding to the COVID-19 epidemic.

Attachments:

RES 1 - Resolution Ratifying Proclamation of a Local Public Health Emergency

RES 2 - Resolution Ratifying Proclamation of a State of Local Emergency

ATT 1 – Proclamation of Local Public Health Emergency

ATT 2 – Proclamation of State of Local Emergency

ATT 3 - State of California - Proclamation of a State of Emergency

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-0159

REQUEST RATIFICATION OF PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY FOR NOVEL CORONAVIRUS DISEASE EPIDEMIC COVID-19

WHEREAS, California Health and Safety Code Section 101080 authorizes a local health officer to proclaim a local health emergency in the health officer's jurisdiction, or any part thereof, whenever the health officer reasonably determines that there is an imminent and proximate threat of the introduction of any contagious, infectious, or communicable disease, chemical agent, noncommunicable biologic agent, toxin, or radioactive agent, and

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of a Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) a "public health emergency of international concern", and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announced on February 25, 2020, that community spread of COVID-19 is likely to occur in the United States, and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor of the State of California issued a proclamation of a State of Emergency for the State of California due to COVID-19, and

WHEREAS, there are currently multiple cases of confirmed COVID-19 in Sacramento County, and there is an ongoing risk and likelihood of additional COVID-19 positive patients being identified in Sacramento County, and

WHEREAS, the Sacramento County Department of Health Services will use all preventive measures, which requires access to available services, personnel, equipment, and facilities, to respond to COVID-19, and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 constitutes a potential epidemic under Section 8558 of the Government Code that, by reason of its magnitude, is potentially beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of Sacramento County and requires the combined forces of a mutual aid region or regions to combat, and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Officer of Sacramento County, in accordance with the authority vested in her pursuant to Government Code Section 8630 and Sacramento County Code Section 2.46.130, found that conditions to the health and safety of persons and property existed within Sacramento County and PROCLAIMED A PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY in Sacramento County.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors hereby ratifies the Proclamation of Local Public Health Emergency signed by

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the Public Health Officer on March 5, 2020 with an effective date of March 5, 2020.

On a motion by Supervisor Frost, seconded by Supervisor Nottoli, the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sacramento this 10^{th} day of March, 2020, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:

Supervisors Frost, Kennedy, Nottoli, Peters, Serna

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

None

ABSTAIN: None

RECUSAL: None

(PER POLITICAL REFORM ACT (§ 18702.5.))

In accordance with Section 25103 of the Government Code of the State of California a copy of the document has been delivered to the Chair of the Board of Supervisors, County of Secrements on 3110 - 200

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Deputy Clerk, Board of Supervisors



Chair of the Board of Supervisors of Sacramento County, California

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Clerk of the Board

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-0160

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WHEREAS, on January 23, 2020, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention activated its Emergency Response System to provide ongoing support for the response to COVID-19 across the country, and

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the International Health Regulations Emergency Committee of the World Health Organization declared the outbreak a "public health emergency of international concern", and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Health and Human Services Secretary declared a public health emergency for the United States to aid the Nation's healthcare community in responding to COVID-19, and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor of the State of California has proclaimed a state of emergency to help Californians prepare for the broader spread of COVID-19, and

WHEREAS, as of March 4, 2020, ten California counties, one city and one tribe have proclaimed a public health or local emergency in response to the outbreak and spread of COVID-19 within their communities, and

WHEREAS as of March 5, 2020, there are over 100 confirmed cases in the United States, which includes 53 in California, with nearly 10,000 Californians across 50 counties in self-quarantine for monitoring as a result of potential contact with the virus, and

WHEREAS, Sacramento County has been working diligently to prevent the spread of the COVID-19, and to implement containment efforts through public messaging and education as well as proactive public health department activities, and

WHEREAS, if COVID-19 spreads within the Sacramento community then local resources may be exhausted; thereby requiring the assembly of

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WHEREAS, the federal government has worked to contain the virus by imposing strict travel restrictions for people returning from mainland China as well as restrictions of travel from other highly impacted nations, as well as, pre-flight medical screenings of travelers from specific countries taking direct flights to the US, and

WHEREAS, the spread of the virus could impact the economy of the county due to illness-related absenteeism of those engaged in activities and businesses critical to the economy and infrastructure of the county, and

WHEREAS, Sacramento County must use all preventive measures, which will require access to available funding services, personnel, equipment, and facilities, to respond to the COVID-19 virus, and

WHEREAS, preparing for and responding to all cases, confirmed or suspected, is critical in order to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 virus constitutes a potential epidemic under section 2.46.030 of the Sacramento County Code that, by reason of its scale, is potentially beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of Sacramento County and requires mutual aid to assist Sacramento County in mitigating the incident, and

WHEREAS, the Sacramento County Public Health Officer, in accordance with the authority vested in her, pursuant to Sacramento County Code section 2.46.130, proclaimed a public health emergency in Sacramento County.

WHEREAS, the County Executive, of Sacramento County, in accordance with the authority vested in him, pursuant to County Code Section 2.46.120, found that serious risk to the health and safety of persons and property existed within Sacramento County and PROCLAIMED A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY in Sacramento County.

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors hereby ratifies the Proclamation of a State of Local Emergency signed by the County Executive on March 5, 2020 with an effective date of March 5, 2020.

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RECUSAL: None

ATTEST: N

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Clerk, Board of Supervisors

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Chair of the Board of Supervisors of Sacramento County, California

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PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY FOR NOVEL CORONAVIRUS DISEASE EPIDEMIC COVID-19

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NOW, THEREFORE, the Public Health Officer of Sacramento County, in accordance with the authority vested in her pursuant to Government Code Section 8630 and Sacramento County Code Section 2.46.130, finds that conditions to the health and safety of persons and property exists within the Sacramento County and **HEREBY PROCLAIMS A PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY** in Sacramento County.

OLIVIA KASIRYE, MD, MS,

Public Health Officer

Sacramento County Public Health

Date of Proclamation

PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY FOR NOVEL CORONAVIRUS DISEASE EPIDEMIC COVID-19

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WHEREAS, the Sacramento County Public Health Officer, in accordance with the authority vested in her, pursuant to Sacramento County Code Section 2.46.130, proclaimed a public health emergency in Sacramento County.

NOW, THEREFORE, the County Executive, of Sacramento County, in accordance with the authority vested in him, pursuant to County Code Section 2.46.120, finds that serious risk to the health and safety of persons and property exists within Sacramento County and **HEREBY PROCLAIMS A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY** in Sacramento County.

NAVDEEP S. GILL, County Executive

Sacramento County

Date of Proclamation

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT STATE OF CALIFORNIA

PROCLAMATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS in December 2019, an outbreak of respiratory illness due to a novel coronavirus (a disease now known as COVID-19), was first identified in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China, and has spread outside of China, impacting more than 75 countries, including the United States; and

WHEREAS the State of California has been working in close collaboration with the national Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), with the United States Health and Human Services Agency, and with local health departments since December 2019 to monitor and plan for the potential spread of COVID-19 to the United States; and

WHEREAS on January 23, 2020, the CDC activated its Emergency Response System to provide ongoing support for the response to COVID-19 across the country; and

WHEREAS on January 24, 2020, the California Department of Public Health activated its Medical and Health Coordination Center and on March 2, 2020, the Office of Emergency Services activated the State Operations Center to support and guide state and local actions to preserve public health; and

WHEREAS the California Department of Public Health has been in regular communication with hospitals, clinics and other health providers and has provided guidance to health facilities and providers regarding COVID-19; and

WHEREAS as of March 4, 2020, across the globe, there are more than 94,000 confirmed cases of COVID-19, tragically resulting in more than 3,000 deaths worldwide; and

WHEREAS as of March 4, 2020, there are 129 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the United States, including 53 in California, and more than 9,400 Californians across 49 counties are in home monitoring based on possible travel-based exposure to the virus, and officials expect the number of cases in California, the United States, and worldwide to increase; and

WHEREAS for more than a decade California has had a robust pandemic influenza plan, supported local governments in the development of local plans, and required that state and local plans be regularly updated and exercised; and

WHEREAS California has a strong federal, state and local public health and health care delivery system that has effectively responded to prior events including the H1N1 influenza virus in 2009, and most recently Ebola; and



WHEREAS experts anticipate that while a high percentage of individuals affected by COVID-19 will experience mild flu-like symptoms, some will have more serious symptoms and require hospitalization, particularly individuals who are elderly or already have underlying chronic health conditions; and

WHEREAS it is imperative to prepare for and respond to suspected or confirmed COVID-19 cases in California, to implement measures to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, and to prepare to respond to an increasing number of individuals requiring medical care and hospitalization; and

WHEREAS if COVID-19 spreads in California at a rate comparable to the rate of spread in other countries, the number of persons requiring medical care may exceed locally available resources, and controlling outbreaks minimizes the risk to the public, maintains the health and safety of the people of California, and limits the spread of infection in our communities and within the healthcare delivery system; and

WHEREAS personal protective equipment (PPE) is not necessary for use by the general population but appropriate PPE is one of the most effective ways to preserve and protect California's healthcare workforce at this critical time and to prevent the spread of COVID-19 broadly; and

WHEREAS state and local health departments must use all available preventative measures to combat the spread of COVID-19, which will require access to services, personnel, equipment, facilities, and other resources, potentially including resources beyond those currently available, to prepare for and respond to any potential cases and the spread of the virus; and

WHEREAS I find that conditions of Government Code section 8558(b), relating to the declaration of a State of Emergency, have been met; and

WHEREAS I find that the conditions caused by COVID-19 are likely to require the combined forces of a mutual aid region or regions to appropriately respond; and

WHEREAS under the provisions of Government Code section 8625(c), I find that local authority is inadequate to cope with the threat posed by COVID-19; and

WHEREAS under the provisions of Government Code section 8571, I find that strict compliance with various statutes and regulations specified in this order would prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of the COVID-19.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GAVIN NEWSOM, Governor of the State of California, in accordance with the authority vested in me by the State Constitution and statutes, including the California Emergency Services Act, and in particular, Government Code section 8625, HEREBY PROCLAIM A STATE OF EMERGENCY to exist in California.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. In preparing for and responding to COVID-19, all agencies of the state government use and employ state personnel, equipment, and facilities or perform any and all activities consistent with the direction of the Office of Emergency Services and the State Emergency Plan, as well as the California Department of Public Health and the Emergency Medical Services Authority. Also, all residents are to heed the advice of emergency officials with regard to this emergency in order to protect their safety.
- 2. As necessary to assist local governments and for the protection of public health, state agencies shall enter into contracts to arrange for the procurement of materials, goods, and services needed to assist in preparing for, containing, responding to, mitigating the effects of, and recovering from the spread of COVID-19. Applicable provisions of the Government Code and the Public Contract Code, including but not limited to travel, advertising, and competitive bidding requirements, are suspended to the extent necessary to address the effects of COVID-19.
- 3. Any out-of-state personnel, including, but not limited to, medical personnel, entering California to assist in preparing for, responding to, mitigating the effects of, and recovering from COVID-19 shall be permitted to provide services in the same manner as prescribed in Government Code section 179.5, with respect to licensing and certification. Permission for any such individual rendering service is subject to the approval of the Director of the Emergency Medical Services Authority for medical personnel and the Director of the Office of Emergency Services for non-medical personnel and shall be in effect for a period of time not to exceed the duration of this emergency.
- 4. The time limitation set forth in Penal Code section 396, subdivision (b), prohibiting price gouging in time of emergency is hereby waived as it relates to emergency supplies and medical supplies. These price gouging protections shall be in effect through September 4, 2020.
- 5. Any state-owned properties that the Office of Emergency Services determines are suitable for use to assist in preparing for, responding to, mitigating the effects of, or recovering from COVID-19 shall be made available to the Office of Emergency Services for this purpose, notwithstanding any state or local law that would restrict, delay, or otherwise inhibit such use.
- 6. Any fairgrounds that the Office of Emergency Services determines are suitable to assist in preparing for, responding to, mitigating the effects of, or recovering from COVID-19 shall be made available to the Office of Emergency Services pursuant to the Emergency Services Act, Government Code section 8589. The Office of Emergency Services shall notify the fairgrounds of the intended use and can immediately use the fairgrounds without the fairground board of directors' approval, and

- notwithstanding any state or local law that would restrict, delay, or otherwise inhibit such use.
- 7. The 30-day time period in Health and Safety Code section 101080, within which a local governing authority must renew a local health emergency, is hereby waived for the duration of this statewide emergency. Any such local health emergency will remain in effect until each local governing authority terminates its respective local health emergency.
- 8. The 60-day time period in Government Code section 8630, within which local government authorities must renew a local emergency, is hereby waived for the duration of this statewide emergency. Any local emergency proclaimed will remain in effect until each local governing authority terminates its respective local emergency.
 - 9. The Office of Emergency Services shall provide assistance to local governments that have demonstrated extraordinary or disproportionate impacts from COVID-19, if appropriate and necessary, under the authority of the California Disaster Assistance Act, Government Code section 8680 et seq., and California Code of Regulations, Title 19, section 2900 et seq.
 - 10. To ensure hospitals and other health facilities are able to adequately treat patients legally isolated as a result of COVID-19, the Director of the California Department of Public Health may waive any of the licensing requirements of Chapter 2 of Division 2 of the Health and Safety Code and accompanying regulations with respect to any hospital or health facility identified in Health and Safety Code section 1250. Any waiver shall include alternative measures that, under the circumstances, will allow the facilities to treat legally isolated patients while protecting public health and safety. Any facilities being granted a waiver shall be established and operated in accordance with the facility's required disaster and mass casualty plan. Any waivers granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be posted on the Department's website.
 - 11.To support consistent practices across California, state departments, in coordination with the Office of Emergency Services, shall provide updated and specific guidance relating to preventing and mitigating COVID-19 to schools, employers, employees, first responders and community care facilities by no later than March 10, 2020.
 - 12. To promptly respond for the protection of public health, state entities are, notwithstanding any other state or local law, authorized to share relevant medical information, limited to the patient's underlying health conditions, age, current condition, date of exposure, and possible contact tracing, as necessary to address the effect of the COVID-19 outbreak with state, local, federal, and nongovernmental partners, with such information to be used for the limited purposes of monitoring, investigation and control, and treatment and coordination of care. The

notification requirement of Civil Code section 1798.24, subdivision (i), is suspended.

- 13. Notwithstanding Health and Safety Code sections 1797.52 and 1797.218, during the course of this emergency, any EMT-P licensees shall have the authority to transport patients to medical facilities other than acute care hospitals when approved by the California EMS Authority. In order to carry out this order, to the extent that the provisions of Health and Safety Code sections 1797.52 and 1797.218 may prohibit EMT-P licensees from transporting patients to facilities other than acute care hospitals, those statutes are hereby suspended until the termination of this State of Emergency.
- 14. The Department of Social Services may, to the extent the Department deems necessary to respond to the threat of COVID-19, waive any provisions of the Health and Safety Code or Welfare and Institutions Code, and accompanying regulations, interim licensing standards, or other written policies or procedures with respect to the use, licensing, or approval of facilities or homes within the Department's jurisdiction set forth in the California Community Care Facilities Act (Health and Safety Code section 1500 et seq.), the California Child Day Care Facilities Act (Health and Safety Code section 1596.70 et seq.), and the California Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly Act (Health and Safety Code section 1569 et seq.). Any waivers granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be posted on the Department's website.

I FURTHER DIRECT that as soon as hereafter possible, this proclamation be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State and that widespread publicity and notice be given of this proclamation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 4th day of March 2020

IN NEWSOM vernor of California

ATTEST:

ALEX PADILLA Secretary of State