

PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LAFAYETTE

BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Mayor of the City of Lafayette as follows:

WHEREAS, the California Emergency Services Act, Government Code sections 8558(c) and 8630 authorize the proclamation of a local emergency when conditions of disaster or extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the territorial limits of a city exist; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code section 8630 such an emergency may be proclaimed by the governing body or by an official designated by ordinance adopted by the governing body; and

WHEREAS, Lafayette Municipal Code section 8-314 provides that the Mayor may request the City Council to proclaim the existence of a local emergency; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session; and

WHEREAS, under provision of local law, the Mayor may proclaim a local emergency, which must be ratified or nullified by the City Council within seven days of issuance; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with my authority under the above provisions of state and local law as Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the circumstances of extreme peril to public safety described below are so severe and require immediate remedial action; and

WHEREAS, as Mayor, I have determined that the proclamation of a local emergency is warranted by virtue of the extreme peril to the safety of persons and property in the City caused by epidemic in the form of the global spread of a severe acute respiratory illness caused by a novel (new) coronavirus ("COVID-19"), and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of California has Proclaimed a State of Emergency for COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has described COVID-19 as a pandemic, and

WHEREAS, the President has declared a national emergency for COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, there have been numerous confirmed cases of COVID-19 in California, the San Francisco Bay Area, and numerous confirmed cases originating in Contra Costa County, prompting the County to declare a local health emergency; and

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that this proclamation shall be in effect for a period of seven days by which time it must be ratified or nullified by the Council of the City of Lafayette, pursuant to Government Code section 8630.

NOW, THEREFORE, I HEREBY PROCLAIM that, effective immediately, a local emergency now exists in the City as a result of the circumstances described above.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED THAT all City officers and employees take all steps requested by the City Manager to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and to prevent or alleviate illness or death due to the virus; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED THAT all City officers and employees take all steps requested by the City Manager to qualify the City for reimbursement from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and for other state and federal relief as may be available to reimburse the City for the expenses it incurs in addressing this emergency.

Dated: March 15,
2020

By:



Mike Anderson,
Mayor, City of Lafayette