A RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE DISASTER EMERGENCY DECLARATION FOR THE CITY OF AKHIOK ISSUED DUE TO THE CURRENT AND EXPECTED IMMINENT IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

WHEREAS, the mayor of Akhiok issued a Disaster Emergency Declaration on March 31, 2020, due to the current and extended imminent impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic for the City of Akhiok; and

WHEREAS, this declaration continues until April 30, 2020, unless extended by consent of the council; and

WHEREAS, as the response and recovery efforts continue and are expected to require the ongoing use of tribe resources, it is appropriate to extend the disaster declaration; and

WHEREAS, the council wishes to extend this declaration in the best interests of the public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF AKHIOK:

SECTION 1. That the declaration of local disaster emergency issued by the mayor on March 31, 2020, is hereby extended for a period of 30 days in order to allow for a more complete response. A copy of the declaration of disaster emergency extended by this resolution is attached and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. That this resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE AKHIOK CITY COUNCIL THIS 31ST DAY OF MARCH 2020.

ATTEST:

[Signature]

Clerk

[Signature]

Roger McCoy, Mayor

3-30-2020
WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the International Health Regulations Emergency Committee of the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of the coronavirus disease of 2019 (COVID-19) a public health emergency of international concern;

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the Health and Human Services Secretary of the United States declared the outbreak a public health emergency for the United States;

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization characterized COVID-19 as a pandemic;

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the State of Alaska issued a public health disaster emergency declaration for COVID-19 in accordance with Alaska Statute 26.23.900(2)(E);

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

WHEREAS, the imminent threat of an outbreak of COVID-19 will impact every community in the State of Alaska and will significantly affect the life and health of Alaskans statewide;

WHEREAS, Akhiok, Alaska is preparing for threats to life, illnesses, critical supply shortages (food, water, fuel, medicine), critical workforce shortages, increased healthcare demands, increased water/sanitation service demands, and sustained economic losses requiring emergency protective measures to be taken;

WHEREAS, the City of Akhiok is a political subdivision that has jurisdiction boundaries outside of a recognized borough.

WHEREAS, the severity and magnitude of the COVID-19 emergency is beyond the timely and effective response capability of local resources, and there are insufficient regularly appropriated funds to cover these expenses; and,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Akhiok declares a disaster emergency per AS 26.23.140 to exist in Akhiok.

FURTHERMORE, it is requested that the governor of the State of Alaska provide disaster assistance to Akhiok, Alaska in its preparation, response, and recovery from this event.

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted as a regular meeting of the Akhiok City Council on this 31st day of March, 2020 at which a quorum was present, with a vote of 5 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions, 0 absent.

Administrator

Date 3-30-2020