

**City of Chefnak  
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**RESOLUTION 20-01**

**DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY**

**A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH DISASTER WITH REQUEST FOR STATE ASSISTANCE**

**WHEREAS, the United States Center for Disease Control and Prevention has identified the COVID19 virus as a new stain of coronavirus not previously identified in humans, causing respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death and which poses a significant public health risk; and**

**WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared a pandemic related to COVID-19; and**

**WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, Governor Mike Dunleavy declared a Public Health Disaster Emergency in the State of Alaska; and**

**WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, President Donald Trump declared a National Emergency; and**

**WHEREAS, a proactive approach taken by individuals and communities to slow the rate of infection will reduce the negative impact on our health care system.**

**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, City of Chefnak, Alaska is preparing for threats of life, illnesses, critical supply shortages (food, water, fuel (generators), 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 Chefnak is a political subdivision State of Alaska, that has jurisdictional boundaries within the City of Chefnak;**

**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.**


**NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City of Chefnak declare a disaster emergency per AS 26.23.140 to exist in City of Chefnak.**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, City of Chefnak is requesting that the Governor of the State of Alaska provide disaster assistance to City of Chefnak in it's preparation, response, and recovery from the COVID-19 disaster event.

CERTIFICATION

Approved and passed this 07 day of April, 2020 at the City Council Emergency meeting at Chefnak, Alaska, by a vote of 5 for 0 against, and 0 abstaining.

  
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Kasey Panruk, Mayor

 - City Administrator  
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Attested by: Robyn Erik, City Clerk