



CITY OF PILOT STATION



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RESOLUTION NO. 20-01

LOCAL GOVERNMENT DECLARATION OF COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH DISASTER WITH REQUEST FOR STATE ASSISTANCE.

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; and

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; and

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

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); and

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

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; and

WHEREAS, Pilot Station, Alaska is preparing for threats to life, illness, 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; and

WHEREAS, Pilot Station is a political subdivision that has jurisdictional boundaries outside of a recognized borough; and

WHEREAS, the Pilot Station Traditional Council is an Alaska Native tribe as defined in Section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, Pub. L. 93-638, 25 U.S.C. 450b;

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 Council of the City of Pilot Station declares a disaster emergency per AS 26.23.140 to exist in Pilot Station.

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

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was duly adopted at a Special Meeting of the Pilot Station City Council on this 24th day, March, 2020 at which a quorum was present, with a vote of 6 for, 0 against, 0 abstain, 1 absent.

PASSED and APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the City Council of the City of Pilot Station this 24th day of March, 2020.

SIGNED: Barbara Heckman
Barbara Heckman, Vice-Mayor

SIGNED: Cynthia M. Fancyboy
Cynthia M. Fancyboy, PSTC President



ATTEST: Ruthie Borromeo
Ruthie Borromeo, City Clerk