

CITY OF TOGIAK, ALASKA RESOLUTION 20-04 DECLARATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death and is caused by the SARS-Cov-2 virus ("virus"), a new strain of the coronavirus that has not been previously identified in humans and is easily transmittable person to person; and,

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization ("WHO") declared the virus a pandemic; Alaska Governor Dunleavy issued a declaration of public health disaster emergency in response to the anticipated outbreak of COVID-19 in Alaska; and on March 13, 2020, President Donald J. Trump declared a national emergency in response to the virus pandemic; and

WHEREAS, a positive case of COVID-19 has been identified within the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, Governor Dunleavy closed all schools in Alaska until May 1st of 2020.

WHEREAS, a declaration of disaster emergency will alert the public to the seriousness of the risk, and provide direction to sources of information and other available public health resources, all while the City works in cooperation with other local and state agencies to implement actions and responses to address the probable COVID-19 outbreak.

NOW THEREFORE, in accordance with the recommendations of the City Council of Togiak, I now declare a disaster emergency in the City of Togiak based on the risk to the public posed by the global COVID-19 pandemic and the substantial economic impacts to the City of Togiak. As provided by AS 26.23.140, the intent of this declaration is to activate the response and recovery aspects of any and all applicable local or interjurisdictional disaster or emergency plans, and to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance under those plans. Further, I hereby request that the Council continue this declaration until November 24, 2020, or until the virus is no longer declared a federal or state emergency, whichever occurs first. Signed this 24th day of March, 2020

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 24th DAY OF MARCH, 2020

Mayor: Anna May Kasak

ATTEST: City Clerk, Patricia Wilcox