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OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER/DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

Executive Orders
Pursuant to Proclamation 20-03-16-01
Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency

RE: NOVEL CORONAVIRUS, COVID-19

Issue Date: March 31, 2020

On March 16, 2020, in my capacity as the Director of Emergency Services (RSMCC 6.05.060), I issued Proclamation 20-03-16-01 Declaring the Existence of a Local Emergency in response to severe public health concerns and economic impacts relating to the COVID-19 pandemic. The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, causes infectious disease and was first detected in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China in December 2019. Symptoms of COVID-19 include fever, cough, and shortness of breath; outcomes have ranged from mild to severe illness, and, in some cases, death. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has indicated the virus is a significant public health threat, and States of Emergency have been declared by the County of Orange, the State of California and the Federal Government of the United States. On March 19, 2020, California Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive Order N-33-20, which bans gatherings, public and private, and orders residents to stay at home at their place of residence except as needed to maintain continuity of operations of the federal critical infrastructure sectors, as defined, in order to mitigate the impact of COVID-19. Executive Order N-33-20 is enforceable pursuant to California law per Government Code Section 8665.

In order to comply with all applicable Public Health and Executive Orders and to protect public health in the City of Rancho Santa Margarita, Executive Orders Nos. 1 through 7 were issued on March 16, 2020, which remain in effect until further notice. It is hereby necessary to issue additional Executive Orders as follows:

- 8. Street Sweeping Parking violations are hereby suspended; no citations will be issued for vehicles parked during posted "No Parking for Street Sweeping" periods.
- The time limitation for display of temporary banners is extended to 60 days and permit issuance fees are hereby waived; all other applicable temporary banner regulations and requirements shall remain in effect.
- 10. City will provide portable restroom(s) and hand-washing station(s) on City-owned property as necessary to promote health and sanitation.

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- 11. Enforcement of RSMMC Chapter 12.06 No Sleeping in Vehicles is hereby suspended.
- 12. Any building permit set to expire between March 16, 2020 and May 1, 2020, shall automatically be valid for an additional six months.

Additional Executive Orders may be issued at any time relating to this public health emergency. Additional Executive Orders are cumulative, and do not negate or reverse these Executive Orders contained herein unless explicitly stated.

Jennifer M. Cervantez, Director of

Emergency Services/City Manager

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