

**WEST VALLEY CITY, UTAH**

**A PROCLAMATION DECLARING A LOCAL EMERGENCY**

**WHEREAS**, Section 53-2a-203, Utah Code Annotated 1953, as amended, “Definitions,” defines “local emergency” as “a condition in any municipality or county of the state which requires that emergency assistance be provided by the affected municipality or county or another political subdivision to save lives and protect property within its jurisdiction in response to a disaster, or to avoid or reduce the threat of a disaster”; and defines “political subdivision” as a municipality, county, special service district, or local district; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to an Executive Order signed by Governor Gary R. Herbert on March 6, 2020, the State of Utah declared a state of emergency in Utah due to the global outbreak of a new coronavirus disease named “COVID-19” by health officials; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to a Proclamation signed by President Donald J. Trump on March 13, 2020, the United States of America has declared a national emergency due to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the national emergency, local authorities have been encouraged to activate Emergency Operations Centers; and

**WHEREAS**, a local emergency exists in West Valley City due to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 53-2a-208, Utah Code Annotated, 1953 as amended, “Local emergency—Declarations,” gives the City Manager, as chief executive officer of West Valley City, the authority to declare a local emergency by proclamation.

**NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED** by the City Manager of West Valley City, Utah, that a local emergency exists in West Valley City due to COVID-19. The declaration of a local emergency: (1) constitutes an official recognition that a disaster situation exists within the City; (2) provides a legal basis for requesting and obtaining mutual aid or disaster assistance from other political subdivisions or from the state or federal government; (3) activates the response and recovery aspects of any and all applicable local disaster emergency plans; (4) tolls all land use applications and permit applications received after this Proclamation is signed, until further notice; and (5) authorizes the furnishing of aid and assistance in relation to this Proclamation. This Proclamation shall take effect immediately and shall not be continued or renewed for a period in excess of 30 days except by or with the consent of the governing body of West Valley City. This Proclamation shall be filed promptly with the West Valley City Recorder’s Office and shall be declared to Salt Lake County.

**DATED** this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

WEST VALLEY CITY

*Wayne T Pyle*

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CITY MANAGER

ATTEST:

*Nichole Camac*

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CITY RECORDER