RESOLUTION NO. 20-14

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MALIBU
CONFIRMING EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY

The City Council of the City of Malibu does hereby find, order and resolve as follows:

SECTION 1. Recitals.

A. Title 2, Chapter 2.52 of the Malibu Municipal Code empowers the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when the City is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the City Council is not in session, subject to ratification by the City Council within seven days.

B. A severe acute respiratory illness caused by a novel (new) coronavirus, known as COVID-19, has spread globally and rapidly, resulting in severe illness and death around the world. The World Health Organization has described COVID-19 as a global pandemic.

C. On March 4, 2020, California Governor Gavin Newsom declared a State of Emergency in response to the increased spread of COVID-19. Additionally, on March 4, 2020, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and the Department of Public Health all declared a local and public health emergency in response to increased spread of COVID-19 across the country and in Los Angeles County. The President of the United States has declared a federal emergency as a result of the spread of the COVID-19.

D. On March 11, 2020, Los Angeles County announced the first death related to COVID-19.

E. On March 12, 2020, California Governor Gavin Newsom ordered cancellation of gatherings over 250 statewide and further called for canceling or postponing even smaller gatherings where those attending cannot keep six feet apart from each other, and limiting groups of older or unhealthier people more vulnerable to the disease to no more than 10.

F. The City activated its Emergency Operations Center on March 12, 2020 and, out of an abundance of caution, the City has cancelled or postponed all non-essential City-hosted and sponsored programs and events until April 30, 2020 to help prevent further spread of coronavirus and protect its vulnerable populations, such as seniors and people with compromised immune systems, from infection.

G. Effective Monday, March 16, 2020, Malibu City Hall will be opened to the public by appointment only.

H. Due to the increase of reported cases associated with COVID-19, there is an imminent and proximate threat of introduction of COVID-19 in the City that threatens the safety and health of City residents and warrants a declaration of local emergency.
I. The Director of Emergency Services now requests the City Council ratify the Director's proclamation of the existence of a local emergency issued on March 14, 2020 in accordance with Malibu Municipal Code Section 2.52.060.

SECTION 2. The Proclamation of Existence of a Local Emergency issued by the Director of Emergency Services is hereby ratified.

SECTION 3. It is hereby proclaimed that a local emergency now exists throughout the City. It is further proclaimed and ordered that during the existence of this local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the Director of Emergency Services and the emergency organization of this City shall be those prescribed by State law and by the ordinances and resolutions of this City.

SECTION 4. The local emergency shall be deemed to continue and exist until its termination is proclaimed by the City Council. As required by law, the City Council shall review the need to continue the state of emergency every 60 days until this resolution is terminated.

SECTION 5. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this resolution and enter it into the book of original resolutions.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 16th day of March 2020.

KAREN FARRER, Mayor

ATTEST:

HEATHER GLASER, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CHRISTI HOGIN, City Attorney
I CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION NO. 20-14 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Malibu at the special meeting thereof held on the 16th day of March 2020 by the following vote:

AYES: 5  
Councilmembers: Mullen, Peak, Wagner, Pierson, Farrer

NOES: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 0

HEATHER GLASER, City Clerk
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