TOWN OF SNOWMASS VILLAGE
TOWN COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 14
SERIES OF 2020

AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SNOWMASS VILLAGE DECLARING A LOCAL DISASTER

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a highly contagious that has since spread to numerous countries around the world, including the United States; and

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the worldwide outbreak of COVID-19 a ‘public health emergency of international concern;” and on January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Health and Human Services declared the virus a public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2020, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) confirmed a case of COVID-19 within the county and public health experts anticipate that, due to the contagiousness of the illness and the fact that numerous travelers from around the world visit the Snowmass Village, our region is at higher risk of COVID-19 spread; and

WHEREAS, the illness may also affect community functioning in terms of work attendance, school attendance, economic activity, and the like; and

WHEREAS; pursuant to Section 24-33.5-709, Colorado Revised Statutes, the presence of COVID-19 in the region is an imminent threat to the health and wellbeing of Snowmass Village residents and visitors, requiring emergency action to avert illness and possible death, as seen in other parts of the nation and world; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709 and the emergency management and operations plans and resolutions of Snowmass Village, Colorado the Town Council is authorized to declare a local disaster.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Snowmass Village, Colorado, as follows:

1. That the Council hereby declares that there is a local disaster in Snowmass Village, to wit, the occurrence or imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury or loss of life or property resulting from COVID-19 requiring emergency action to avert danger or damage.

2. The effect of this declaration of disaster shall be to activate the response and recovery aspects of any and all applicable local and interjurisdictional disaster emergency plans and to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance under such plans.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the principal executive officers of all other cities and towns in Pitkin County affected by said disaster are urged to proclaim similar declarations and to cooperate with Snowmass Village as necessary to cope with this incident.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this declaration shall be effective upon the date and time given below, and shall remain in effect until further notice. Two copies will be filed promptly with the Colorado Office of Emergency Management, Pitkin County Clerk and Recorder and the Town Clerk, and shall be promptly distributed to the appropriate representatives of the news media.

READ, APPROVED AND ADOPTED, as amended by the Town Council of the Town of Snowmass Village, Colorado on ________________ ____, 2020 upon the motion of Council Member ________________, the second of Council Member ________________ and upon a vote of _____ in favor and _____ opposed.

TOWN OF SNOWMASS VILLAGE

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Markey Butler, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Rhonda B. Coxon, Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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John C. Dresser, Jr., Town Attorney