EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION NO. 2020-01

A PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.68.030 DUE TO THE COVID-19 OUTBREAK

WHEREAS, the world is currently experiencing a novel coronavirus ("COVID-19") outbreak; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19, a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death, is caused by a virus easily spread from person to person; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Department of Health has confirmed the localized person-to-person spread of COVID-19 in Washington State, significantly increasing the risk of exposure and infection to Washington State residents and creating an extreme public health risk; and

WHEREAS, on February 29, 2020, Governor Jay Inslee proclaimed that a State of Emergency exists in all counties in Washington State, and directed state agencies and departments to use resources and to do everything reasonably possible to assist affected political subdivisions in an effort to respond to and recover from the outbreak; and

WHEREAS, I have determined that it is necessary for the City to take actions authorized under Chapter 2.68 of the Fife Municipal Code titled “Emergency Operations” and Chapter 38.52 of the Revised Code of Washington titled “Emergency Management”;

NOW THEREFORE I, Hyun Kim, City Manager of the City of Fife, Proclaim as follows:

Section 1. A local emergency/disaster now exists in the City of Fife due to the COVID-19 outbreak, necessitating emergency powers under FMC Chapter 2.68 and RCW Chapter 38.52.

Section 2. In my absence during this emergency, I designate Russell Hunt as my designee and Steve Friddle as my alternate designee.

Section 3. I declare that the actions authorized by this Proclamation are necessary to avoid an imminent threat to the public health or safety, to prevent an imminent danger to public and private property, and these actions must be taken within an appropriate time to respond to the emergency.
Section 4. This Proclamation will take effect on my signature, and will remain in effect until rescinded in writing.

DATED AND SIGNED THIS 12th day of March, 2020.

Hyun Kim, City Manager

Attest:

Brodie Rota, City Clerk

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