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## **PROCLAMATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY BY THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES OF THE CITY OF OROVILLE**

**BE IT PROCLAIMED** by the Director of Emergency Services of the City of Oroville as follows:

**WHEREAS**, the California Emergency Services Act, Government Code sections 8558(c) and 8630 authorize the proclamation of a local emergency when conditions of disaster or extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the territorial limits of a city exist; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 8.08.060 of the Oroville Municipal Code empowers the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence of a local emergency when the City is affected by a public calamity and the City Council is not in session; and

**WHEREAS**, a significant wildland fire, the "Thompson Fire", began on or about July 2, 2024 and is expected to continue to affect substantial geographic areas within the City of Oroville for an unknown duration in time due to extreme high temperatures and high winds; and

**WHEREAS**, the fire has caused or is substantially likely to cause extreme conditions, such as: power outages, damage to infrastructure, burned trees, slope failures, and structural damage; and

**WHEREAS**, the fire has caused or is substantially likely to cause multiple road closures and the need for emergency shelters, impacting the transportation and housing within the City and threatening the integrity of the City's infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, based upon the above events, by reason of the magnitude of the fire, and the need to protect the health, safety and welfare of the residents and property of the City of Oroville, there exists the potential that these events are likely to become beyond the control of the normal services, personnel, equipment and facilities of the regularly constituted branches and departments of the City government; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Oroville is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED**, that a local emergency is immediately declared and now exists throughout the City of Oroville; and

**BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED**, that during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the Emergency organization of this City shall be those prescribed by state law, by ordinances, and resolutions of this City, and by the City of Oroville SEMS/NIMS Emergency Operations Plan; and

**BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED**, that all City officers and employees take all steps requested by the City Administrator to qualify for reimbursement from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and for other state and federal relief as may be available to reimburse the City for the expenses it incurs in addressing this emergency; and

**BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED**, that the City Council shall take action to ratify this proclamation within seven days, or the local emergency shall not remain in effect.

July 2, 2024

By:   
Bill LaGrone, Director of Emergency Services  
City of Oroville