Proclamation of a Local Emergency by Director of Emergency Services

WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 8630 and Shasta County Code Section 2.72,060 of the County of Shasta empowers the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency as defined by California Government Code Section 8558 when the Board of Supervisors is not in session; and

WHEREAS, the Shasta County Board of Supervisors is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session; and

WHEREAS, this Proclamation of Local Emergency will be ratified, and as necessary reaffirmed, by the Board of Supervisors pursuant to applicable laws; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Emergency Services of the County of Shasta hereby finds:

- 1. This February winter storm has potentially damaged County roadways, has downed trees and limbs and has damaged critical infrastructure, to include loss of power throughout the county and emergency radio repeaters for first responders. The current forecast calls for continued storms and snow transitioning to rain, which will further exacerbate damages and recovery efforts.
- 2. As the storm transitions to rain and the snow melts, there is a great potential for local flooding and mud slides, especially in the scarred areas of the Carr fire. The weather forecast is calling for high winds and heavy rain for the next two days.
- 3. The continued rains may cause additional damage to County roadways. Should the storms intensify, significant costs in overtime, materials, and contract work will be likely. In order to insure our eligibility for disaster relief from both the federal and state governments, it is necessary to declare a local emergency.

WHEREAS, the Director finds that these emergency conditions are beyond the immediate control of local resources, services, personnel, equipment, and facilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED that a local emergency now exists in Shasta County pursuant to Government Code Section 8630 and other applicable laws; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the Director of Emergency Services and the emergency organization of the county shall be those prescribed by state law, and by ordinance and resolutions of this county approved by the Board of Supervisors, and by the Shasta Operational Area Emergency Operations Plan, as approved by the Board of Supervisors; and,

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this declaration be forwarded to the Governor of California with the request that he proclaim the County of Shasta to be in a state of emergency; and,

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IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that Undersheriff Eric Magrini (acting in the absence of Sheriff Tom Bosenko), Director of Emergency Services, is hereby designated as the authorized representative of the County of Shasta for the purpose of receipt, processing, and coordination of all inquiries and requirements necessary to obtain available state and federal assistance.

COUNTY OF SHASTA

Dated: February 13, 2019

Time: 8:15am

Eric Magrini, Undersheriff

Acting Director of Emergency Services

County of Shasta State of California