

RESOLUTION NO. 4340

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SAN ANSELMO
RENEWING AND CONTINUING THE DECLARATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY
RELATED TO NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)**

WHEREAS, under Government Code section 8630 and Town of San Anselmo Ordinance No. 624, the Town Manager, as the Town's Director of Emergency Services, is empowered to proclaim the existence of a local emergency when the Town is affected or likely to be affected by a public emergency; and

WHEREAS, a local emergency as defined by Government Code section 8558(c) means the duly proclaimed existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the territorial limits of the Town caused by conditions, which are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of Town and require the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat; and

WHEREAS, there is a widespread, ongoing global outbreak of novel coronavirus (COVID-19), an infectious disease that causes respiratory illness, first detected in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China in December 2019, which can be spread from person-to-person; and

WHEREAS, on February 26, 2020, community transmission of COVID-19 was confirmed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in the San Francisco Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, on March 3, 2020, the Marin County Assistant Director of Emergency Services proclaimed the existence of a local emergency in the County related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, the Marin County Board of Supervisors ratified the County emergency proclamation; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom declared a state of emergency for the State of California to address the global COVID-19 outbreak; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, United States President Donald J. Trump declared a national emergency related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the Marin County Health Officer issued an Order Directing All Individuals Living in the County of Marin to Shelter at Their Place of Residence Except That They May Leave to Provide or Receive Certain Essential Services or Engage in Certain Essential Activities and Work for Essential Businesses and Governmental Services; Exempting Individuals Experiencing Homelessness from the Shelter in Place Order But Urging them to Find Shelter and Government Agencies to Provide it; Directing All Businesses and Governmental Agencies to Cease Non-Essential Operations at Physical Locations in the County; Prohibiting All Non-Essential Gatherings of Any Number of Individuals; and Ordering Cessation of All Non-Essential Travel

("Shelter In Place Order"); and

WHEREAS, the Shelter in Place Order was issued based on evidence of increasing occurrence of COVID-19 within the County and scientific evidence and best practices regarding the most effective approaches to slowing the transmission of the virus; and

WHEREAS, the Shelter in Place Order among other things, prevents most people in the County from leaving their homes for non-essential activities, forces businesses to cease operation, requires local bars, gyms and schools to close and limits restaurants to serving only take-out food; and

WHEREAS, the Shelter in Place Order, along with the world-wide economic slowdown tied to COVID-19, will have a fiscal impact on the Town as a result of decreased sales tax, business license tax, and property transfer tax, as well as lost revenues resulting from closing recreation programs; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the Town Manager, acting as the Director of Emergency Services, issued a Proclamation of the Director of Emergency Services for the Town of San Anselmo Proclaiming the Existence of a Local Emergency Related to COVID-19 ("Emergency Proclamation"); and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Town Council adopted Resolution No. 4332 to ratify the Emergency Proclamation ("Emergency Declaration"); and

WHEREAS, state law requires the Town Council to renew the Emergency Declaration at least once every sixty days; and

WHEREAS, since the Town Council adopted the Emergency Declaration, both Marin County and the State of California have imposed new Shelter in Place Orders that have strictly limited the types of activities that Town residents can engage in; and

WHEREAS, the health and economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic have impacted the Town and will continue to do so for months, if not years, to come.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. Environmental Review

The Town Council finds that adoption of this resolution is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code section 21000 *et seq.* ("CEQA"), because it relates to an emergency. (CEQA Guidelines §15269).

Section 2. Findings

The Town Council further finds as follows:

That conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen in the Town due to the widespread, ongoing global outbreak of COVID-19, which can be spread from person-to-person and as of March 17, 2020, had resulted in approximately 196,000 confirmed cases worldwide and as of May 6, 2020, had resulted in approximately 3,711,000 confirmed cases worldwide ; and

That these conditions of extreme peril warrant and necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency; and

That these conditions are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the Town and that the conditions of extreme peril necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency; and

That a local emergency is deemed to exist in the Town of San Anselmo in accordance with the Emergency Proclamation issued by the Director of Emergency Services on March 16, 2020, at which time the Town Council was not in session.

That the Town Council ratified the Emergency Proclamation at its meeting of March 19, 2020, with adoption of Resolution No. 4332. ("Emergency Declaration").

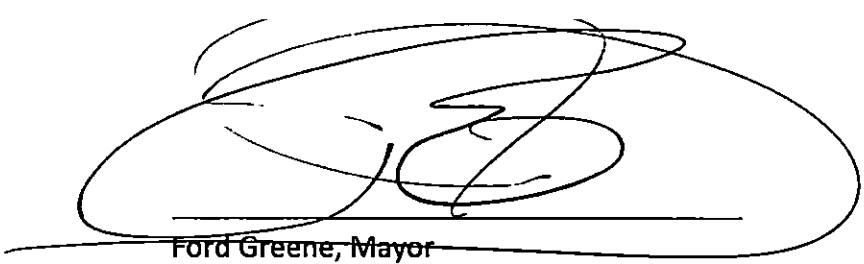
Section 3. Renewal and Continuation of Emergency Declaration.

Be it further resolved that the Town Council hereby renews and continues the Emergency Declaration and the local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the Town Council. The Town Council will review the need for continuing the local emergency at least once every sixty days until the Town Council terminates the local emergency declaration. During the existence of the local emergency, the powers, functions, and duties of the emergency organization of the Town of San Anselmo shall be those prescribed by state law and the ordinances and resolutions of the Town.

A copy of this Resolution will be forwarded to the Governor's Office of Emergency Services.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of the San Anselmo Town Council held on May 12, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES:	Greene, Colbert, Wright, Fineman, Burdo
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None



Ford Greene, Mayor

ATTEST:


Carla Kacmar, Town Clerk