DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION

STATE OF CIVIL EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Mayor has been advised by the Department of Emergency Management that there is the imminent threat of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) has issued warnings regarding the impacts and severity of this event; and

WHEREAS, WMC 2.04.020 authorizes the Mayor to declare a civil emergency under these conditions and necessitate the utilization of emergency powers granted under RCW 35A and 38.52.070; and

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

WHEREAS, on February 29, 2020, the Governor of the State of Washington proclaimed that a State of Emergency exists in all counties in the State of Washington; and

WHEREAS, measures must be taken to protect public health, safety and welfare within the City of Woodland; and

WHEREAS, all available resources are committed to this event; and

WHEREAS, the City of Woodland may require supplemental assistance; and

WHEREAS, the severity of this event may go beyond the capability of local resources; and

WHEREAS, the existing conditions warrant the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, William A. Finn, Mayor, of Woodland, Washington ("City"), do hereby proclaim that a local emergency now exists due to the COVID-19 outbreak and that Emergency Operations are in effect, and this necessitates the utilization of emergency powers granted under RCW 38.52.070.

Furthermore, the City Council of the City of Woodland shall be convened as soon as possible, to request their ratification of this Proclamation and all orders of the civil emergency.


William A. Finn, Mayor
ATTEST:

[Signature]

Peter J. Boyce, City Administrator