WATER EMERGENCY

PROCLAMATION NO. 2001-03

WHEREAS, the Grandview Municipal Code Chapter 13.36 provides in 13.36.010 that, "it is the purpose of this chapter to provide for the conservation of water in non-emergency as well as emergency situations", and

WHEREAS, the Grandview Municipal Code Chapter 13.36 provides in 13.36.030 Water Usage that,

A. In the event the city council determines that an emergency exists, the council shall make its recommendation to the mayor, who will declare by proclamation that an emergency exists, if in fact an emergency does exist, and setting forth the rule that domestic and irrigation water shall be used for lawn irrigation purposes on an odd/even or other basis based upon the street address of the water users of the city.

B. Said proclamation may become effective immediately, if so indicated by the mayor; provided, that 20 citizens and water users of the city may petition the council for a review of the rules and regulations and the matter will be then heard at the next regular meeting of the city council, at which time the council may modify, change or revoke the proclamation; and, further provided, that the rules shall not be abated during the waiting period for the council to act.

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2001 Governor Gary Locke announced a statewide drought emergency as precipitation is at or near record lows: 40-50 percent of normal east of the Cascades; snowpack is 50-60% of normal; and record low flows are being set by rivers throughout the state, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Governor’s declaration, the Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District has advised the City of Grandview that the amount of irrigation water available will be approximately 70% of what the City is normally entitled to, and

WHEREAS, the city council at its April 16, 2001 regular meeting determined that an emergency does exist and recommended to the mayor that a proclamation be issued setting forth rules that domestic and irrigation water shall be used for lawn irrigation purposes on an odd/even or other basis based upon the street address of the water user of the City,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mike Bren, Mayor of the City of Grandview, Washington, do hereby proclaim that:

1. An emergency exists with regard to the shortage of water during the 2001 irrigation season.
2. Commencing immediately, water users shall conform to the following rules and regulations:
   a. Homes and businesses with street addresses with an even number shall use irrigation water and domestic water for irrigation purposes on even numbered days of the month only.
   b. Homes and businesses with street addresses with an odd number shall use irrigation water and domestic water for irrigation purposes on odd numbered days of the month only.
   c. Park, playground and school ground irrigation shall be at 50% the normal quantity.
   d. All residents are asked to conserve water whenever possible for all other uses.

3. This proclamation is subject to the enforcement authority of the officers and employees of the City under Grandview Municipal Code 13.36.050, namely, a fine of $50 for each offense on each day said offense continues, but not more than $500.

4. Any failure to comply with this proclamation shall be subject to penalties as provided in Grandview Municipal Code 13.36.050, namely, a fine of $50 for each offense on each day said offense continues, but not more than $500.

5. This proclamation is effective immediately.

Dated this 16th day of April, 2001.

Mayor Mike Bren