

A PROCLAMATION OF THE EXISTENCE OF A CITYWIDE LOCAL EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF PLACERVILLE

WHEREAS, the California Emergency Services Act, including but not limited to Government Code section 8630, empowers the City Council of the City of Placerville to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when said City is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Placerville City Code Section 1-23-3, the City Manager may request the City Council to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of an "emergency" if the City Council is in session, or to issue such proclamation if the City Council is not in session; and

WHEREAS, whenever a local emergency is proclaimed by the City Manager, the City Council shall take action to ratify the proclamation within seven (7) days thereafter or the proclamation shall have no further force or effect; and

WHEREAS, on August 14, 2021 the Caldor Fire broke out in a location to the Southeast of Placerville in El Dorado County; and

WHEREAS, On August 17, 2021, the El Dorado County Sheriff, who serves as the Director of Emergency Service for El Dorado County, proclaimed a local emergency based on conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within El Dorado County; and

WHEREAS, On August 17, 2021 Governor Gavin Newsom declared a state of emergency in El Dorado County due to the Caldor Fire, which at that time had burned over 6,500 acres in the Grizzly Flats Area and destroyed or damaged several homes; and

WHEREAS, on August 19, 2021, the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors ratified the proclamation of a county-wide emergency under the Emergency Services Act of California; and

WHEREAS, as of August 30, 2021, the Caldor Fire has consumed over 196,000 acres and is in danger of burning into the Lake Tahoe Basin; and

WHEREAS, base operations for the Caldor Fire are located in the incorporated city limits of the City of Placerville, housing, feeding, and administering the fire fighters and public safety personnel for the Caldor Fire; and

WHEREAS, impacts to infrastructure, city revenues, staffing and other related issues have become apparent in the emergency:

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that a local emergency exists in the City of Placerville, pursuant to Government Code Section 8630 and is defined by Government Code Section 8558, and shall be deemed to continue to exist subject to review and termination by the City Council pursuant to Government Code section 8630; and

IT IS 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 including but not limited to Government Code section 8634, City ordinances and resolutions and the current Emergency Operations Plan; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that a copy of this proclamation be forwarded to the Governor of California with the request that he proclaim the City of Placerville to be in a State of Emergency and further that the Governor request a Presidential Declaration.

By: M. Cleve Morris, City Manager

Date 8/3//202

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Placerville to be affixed this 31st day of August, 2021.

ATTEST:

Regina O'Connell, City Clerk