

**CITY OF ROCK ISLAND, WASHINGTON
EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION NO. 2020-01**

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020 the United States Department of Public Health and Human Services declared a public emergency for the novel coronavirus ("COVID-19") beginning on January 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on February 29, 2020, Washington State Governor, Jay Inslee, signed Proclamation 20-05 proclaiming that a state of emergency exists in all counties in the state of Washington due to the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19, and directing that the plans and procedures of the Washington State Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan be implemented, and stating this situation may last for a significant period of time and cause a threat to life and property; and

WHEREAS, Governor Inslee amended Proclamation 20-05, further detailing the COVID-19 emergency in multiple additional Proclamations; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a contagious respiratory disease that may result in serious illness or death; and

WHEREAS, federal, state and local health authorities require anyone that has been infected by COVID-19 to remain in isolation or quarantine for a period of fourteen (14) days to avoid exposure to others; and

WHEREAS, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention identifies the potential health threat posed by COVID-19 as high, and has advised that person-to-person spread of COVID-19 will continue to occur; and

WHEREAS, the public health risk associated with this emergency situation should be closely monitored by the City and acted upon quickly and as necessary by the Mayor and City staff; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor finds that the existing conditions related to COVID-19 warrant the proclamation that an emergency related to COVID-19 exists; now therefore,

SECTION 1. I, Randy Agnew, Mayor of the City of Rock Island, hereby declare that the facts set forth in the recitals of this Declaration are true, a state of emergency exists as a result of the COVID-19 virus, and the emergency necessitates the utilization of emergency powers granted under all applicable laws.

SECTION 2. All emergency power and authority set forth in the applicable provisions of Chapter 38.52 RCW, RCW 39.04.280, Titles 35 and 35A RCW, and all other applicable laws are hereby invoked, including without limitation, the right to purchase materials, equipment and supplies, enter into public works contracts, employ temporary workers, and incur obligations

without regard to time-consuming procedures and formalities prescribed by law (excepting Constitutional requirements).

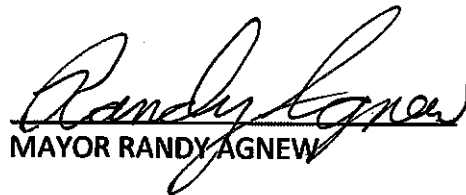
SECTION 3. The Mayor and City staff are authorized to request all available state and federal financial and other assistance necessary to respond to the emergency that is the subject of this Resolution.

SECTION 4. In accordance with the Office of Response and Recovery Fact Sheet FP 104-009-001 on Infectious Disease Events, the City Council specifically finds as follows:

1. The State has directed execution of its emergency plan;
2. The State has demonstrated that the incident of infection for the COVID-19 virus is abnormally high enough to qualify as a state of emergency;
3. The State has shown that additional assistance is required in order for local governments to effectively respond to the COVID-19 virus emergency; and
4. The State has identified that supplemental federal emergency assistance is required in order to save lives, protect public health and safety, and lessen the impact of the COVID-19 virus.

SECTION 5. This Proclamation shall be effective immediately and shall continue in force until it is ratified and/or replaced by a Resolution of the City Council.

SIGNED THIS 23 DAY OF MARCH, 2020.


MAYOR RANDY AGNEW