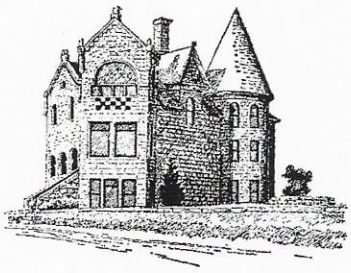

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AMENDED DECLARATION OF A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, individuals in Montana have tested presumptive positive for COVID-19;

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has declared COVID-19 a global pandemic controllable via precautionary measures to stop the spread of the disease;.

WHEREAS, The State of Montana, by Governor Steve Bullock, issued Executive Order No. 2-2020 declaring a State of Emergency pursuant to §10-3-103 and §10-3-302 MCA; and

WHEREAS, the Meagher County Board of County Commissioners passed Resolution 17 on March 17, 2020, declaring a Public Health Emergency pursuant to §10-3-402, MCA and making all provisions of the County Emergency Management Plan in effect;

WHEREAS, the City faces an imminent threat to life and public health resulting from COVID-19, and;

WHEREAS, the City will commit all available resources, and will take all possible action to combat and to alleviate the situation, local resources may not be adequate to cope with the situation; and

WHEREAS, it appears to be in the best interests of the citizens of the City of White Sulphur Springs that a state of local emergency be declared.

NOW, THEREFORE, AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, I HEREBY DECLARE:

Section 1. A state of local emergency is hereby declared pursuant to §10-3-402, MCA.

Section 2. This declaration of a state of local emergency ("Declaration") shall activate the response and recovery aspects of any and all local emergency plans including the Meagher County Emergency Management Plan.

Section 3. The Mayor has the authority pursuant to §10-3-406, MCA, to prevent ingress or egress to all or part of the City; to direct law enforcement to enforce quarantines

and curfews in all or parts of the City concurrent with or at the direction of the City-County Board of Health Officer.

Section 4. The authority of the Mayor pursuant to §2.06.030, White Sulphur Springs Municipal Code, to administer all affairs and departments of the City, including but not limited to, the implementation of orders for employees to work from home, is reaffirmed.

Section 5. Regular meetings of the White Sulphur Springs City Council, as required by §2.08.010, White Sulphur Springs Municipal Code will be held but only essential legally required actions will be considered until such meetings can be held via electronic means with audio and visual communications.

Section 6. Meetings of boards that are legally required to take action prior to final City action shall continue to meet for those legally required actions only. Meetings may be held via electronic means with audio and visual communications. Meetings of the advisory boards that perform valuable advisory functions but are not legally required to act before final City action are cancelled until further notice.

Section 7. This Declaration shall be continued for a period of ten (10) days unless renewed by action of the White Sulphur Springs City Commission.

Section 8. Copies of this Declaration be filed with the County Clerk and Recorder, the City Clerk, and the Montana Disaster and Emergency Services Division in Helena.

Section 9. The public shall be notified of this Declaration as soon as reasonably feasible through general dissemination to the news media, posting on the city website and social media accounts, or using other means of communication appropriate for informing the general public.

Original declaration signed March 20, 2020. Amended declaration of a state of local emergency declared as of March 25, 2020.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK