

**PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY
Vader, Washington**

WHEREAS, the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death, is caused by the SARS-Co V-2, virus, which is a new strain of coronavirus that has not been previously identified in humans and can easily spread from person to person; and

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Public Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar declared a public emergency for COVID-19 beginning on January 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on February 29, 2020, Governor Jay Inslee signed a Proclamation declaring a State of Emergency exists in all counties in the State of Washington due to the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the state and directed that the plans and procedures of the Washington State Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan be implemented; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Department of Health has confirmed an increasing localized person-to-person spread of COVID- 19 in Washington State, significantly increasing the risk of exposure and infection to Washington State' s general public creating public health risk that may spread quickly; and

WHEREAS, the outbreak of COVID-19 and the potential for rapid transmission throughout Washington State, including Lewis County, presents a significant threat to the life and health of Lewis County residents, as well as the economy of the County; and

WHEREAS, under the above referenced conditions there is a substantial likelihood of risk to the citizens of Lewis County and the cities therein unless further efforts are taken to reduce the threat; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the Lewis County Commissioners adopted Resolution 20-100 declaring a state of emergency based on COVID-19 in Lewis County, implementing the County's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan, and enabling Lewis County government to take extraordinary measures; and

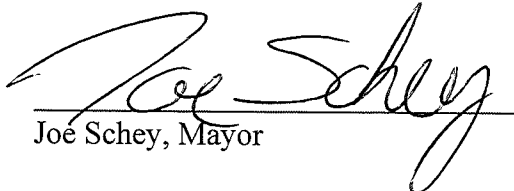
WHEREAS, the City of Vader believes that the increasing number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 constitutes a civil emergency and necessitates the utilization of emergency powers granted pursuant RCW 36.40.180, and RCW 38.52.070(2); and

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the undersigned, extraordinary measures are required to protect the public health, safety and welfare of Vader's residents and may go beyond the capability of local resources and the City of Vader may require supplemental assistance to respond to this emergency; **NOW THEREFORE**

BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE Mayor of the City of Vader that an emergency exists in the City of Vader; therefore, the Mayor and all other City departments are hereby authorized to take emergency actions and to provide emergency services to protect the health and safety of persons and property pursuant to Chapter 38.52 RCW. Each City department is authorized to exercise the powers vested under this proclamation to change city procedures, close city facilities, and to enter into contracts and to incur obligations necessary to combat such victims of such disaster in the light of the exigencies of an extreme emergency situation without regard to time-consuming procedures and formalities prescribed by law (excepting mandatory constitutional requirements.) This emergency proclamation shall endure until terminated, extended, or amended by further proclamation.

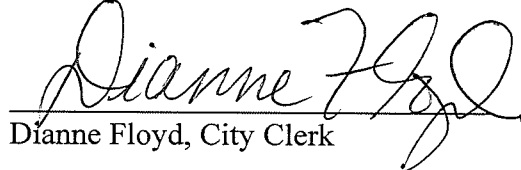
DATED this 18th day of March, 2020.

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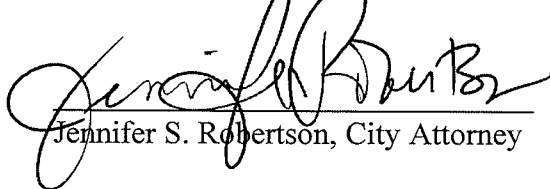
Joe Schey, Mayor

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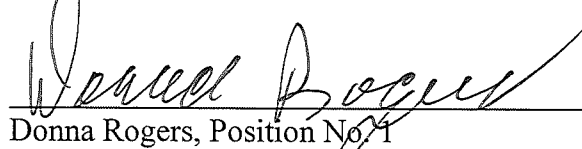
Dianne Floyd, City Clerk

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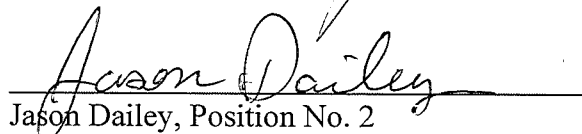


Jennifer S. Robertson, City Attorney

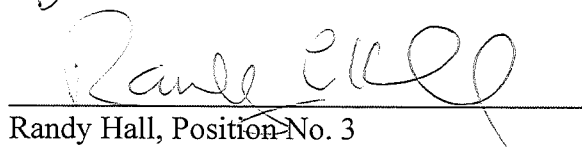
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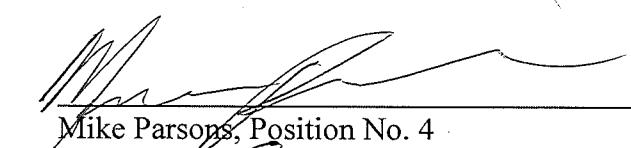
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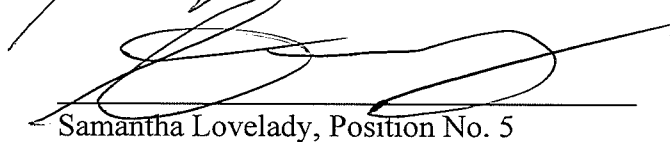
Jason Dailey, Position No. 2



Randy Hall, Position No. 3



Mike Parsons, Position No. 4



Samantha Lovelady, Position No. 5