

**CITY OF RED LODGE  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**

**DECLARATION OF A STATE OF LOCAL DISASTER  
EMERGENCY ORDER NO. 01-2020**

**WHEREAS,** a pandemic of the Coronavirus Disease ("COVID-19") has occurred across the United States;

**WHEREAS,** no individual in Carbon County has tested presumptive positive for COVID-19;

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

**WHEREAS,** the Carbon County Commissioners passed Resolution 2020-10 on March 17, 2020, declaring a Public Health Emergency pursuant to §10-3-402, MCA;

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

**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 Red Lodge that a state of local disaster emergency be declared.

**NOW, THEREFORE, AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF RED LODGE I HEREBY  
DECLARE:**

**Section 1.** A state of local disaster emergency pursuant to Section 10-3-402, MCA.

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

**Section 3.** The Mayor, as principal executive officer, 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 Carbon County Board of Health Officer.

**Section 4.** The authority of the Mayor pursuant to §3.04 and §3.05, Red Lodge Charter, to administer all affairs and departments of the city, which may include the closing of City Hall to the public or the implementation of orders for employees to work from home, is reaffirmed.

**Section 5.** Regular meetings of the Red Lodge City Council are required by §1-6-3. The regular scheduled work session of the Red Lodge City Council to be held on March 24,

2020 at 6 p.m. has been cancelled. Future meetings may be held or cancelled as necessary or as directed by the President of the United States, Governor of the State of Montana or Public Health Officer for Carbon County. Administrative meetings of the Red Lodge City Council are cancelled.

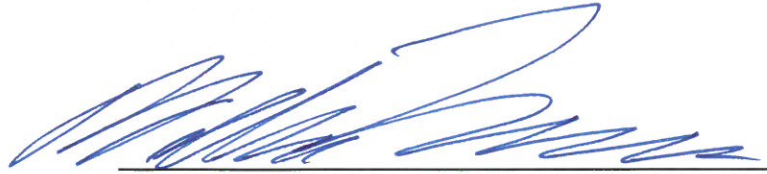
**Section 6.** Meetings of boards that are legally required to take action prior to final city action are canceled at this time, but may be allowed to meet depending on guidance from the President of the United States, Governor of the State of Montana and the local Public Health Officer. Meetings of 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 in effect pursuant to §10-3-402, MCA which states that termination may be had with a disaster declaration or when the Mayor determines the emergency no longer exists.

**Section 8.** Copies of this Declaration will be filed with the County Clerk and Recorder, the Clerk of the City Council, 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, Carbon County Alert and social media accounts, or using other

means of communication appropriate for informing the general public.



**MAYOR**

**ATTEST** 

**CITY CLERK**