

**ORDER DECLARING A LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY IN AND FOR
THE HEALTH DISTRICT OF NORTHERN LARIMER COUNTY, COLORADO**

WHEREAS, the Colorado Disaster Emergency Act, C.R.S. § 24-33.5-701, *et seq.* (the "Act"), provides procedures for statewide and local prevention of, preparation for, response to, and recovery from disasters and emergencies;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, an "emergency" is an unexpected event that places life or property in danger and requires an immediate response through the use of state and community resources and procedures, and an "emergency epidemic" is cases of an illness or condition, communicable or noncommunicable, caused by bioterrorism, pandemic influenza, or novel and highly fatal infectious agents or biological toxins;

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709, a local disaster emergency may be declared unilaterally by the principal executive officer of a political subdivision, here the Executive Director;


WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709, the declaration activates the response and recovery aspects of any applicable disaster emergency plans and authorizes the furnishing of aid and assistance under such plans;

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709(1) the declaration of a local emergency shall not be continued beyond a period of 7 days or removed except by action of the Board of Directors;

WHEREAS, because of the COVID-19 pandemic, which was recognized by the Governor of the State of Colorado on March 10, 2020, the District is suffering and has suffered a disaster emergency as defined in the Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, on this 19th day of March, 2020, that a disaster emergency is declared in and for the Health District of Northern Larimer County, Colorado, beginning on this day and ending on March 26, 2020, unless extended by action of the Board of Directors.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order shall be given prompt and general publicity, and a copy of it shall be sent to the Larimer County Clerk and Recorder as well as to the Colorado Office of Emergency Management.



Carol Plock, Executive Director

ATTEST:



Secretary