

## **City of Pacific, Washington**

### **Emergency Proclamation 2020-01**

**WHEREAS**, the State of Washington, along with much of the world, is experiencing an outbreak of the Novel Coronavirus, known as COVID-19, and;

**WHEREAS**, COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death and is easily spread from person to person, and;

**WHEREAS**, on January 31, 2020 the United States Department of Public Health and Human Services Secretary declared a public emergency for the 2019 Novel Coronavirus beginning on January 27, 2020, and;

**WHEREAS**, on February 29, 2020 Governor Inslee proclaimed a state of emergency (Proclamation 20-05) for all counties in Washington State due to the spread of COVID-19 and directed that the plans and procedures of the Washington State Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan be implemented, and

**WHEREAS**, on March 1, 2020 King County Executive Constantine signed a proclamation of emergency due to the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in King County, Washington, and

**WHEREAS**, on March 4, 2020 the Department of Public Health – Seattle and King County announced new guidance on reducing the risk of exposure to COVID-19 which may restrict government functions, and;

Whereas, measures must be taken to protect public health, safety and welfare of City residents, visitors, and staff, and;

Whereas, additional resources may be required in response to the COVID-19 outbreak, and;

Whereas, the city may require supplemental assistance, and;

Whereas, the severity of this event may go beyond the capability of local resources and the duration of the event is unknown, and

Whereas, the existing conditions related to COVID-19 warrant the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency.

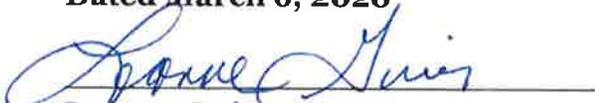
Now, therefore, I Leanne Guier, Mayor of the City of Pacific, do hereby proclaim that a local emergency now exists due to the COVID-19 outbreak and that emergency

operations are in effect, and this necessitates the utilization of emergency powers granted under RCW 38.52.070.

The City of Pacific is authorized to exercise the powers vested under this proclamation considering the exigencies of this emergency without regard to time-consuming procedures and formalities prescribed by law (excepting Constitutional requirements).

This emergency proclamation shall expire unless confirmed and adopted by the Pacific City Council at the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting.

**Dated March 6, 2020**

  
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**Leanne Guier, Mayor**

  
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**Laurie Cassell, City Clerk**