**RESOLUTION NO. 2020_0505A**
**A RESOLUTION EXTENDING A LOCAL EMERGENCY IN RESPONSE TO THE INFECTIOUS DISEASE COVID-19**

***A RESOLUTION enacted under authority of Minnesota Statutes Sections 12.29 and 12.37 to extend the period of mayor-declared emergency.***

Whereas, the Mayor of Cottonwood found that the following situation exists:

*The infectious disease known as COVID-19, an act of nature, has been detected in all countries and territories with widespread transmission occurring. COVID-19 have been reported in all states.*

Whereas, the Mayor found that the situation is sudden and unforeseen and could not have been anticipated;

Whereas, the Mayor finds necessary the need to comply with recommendations from the President of the United States, the Governor of Minnesota, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and the Minnesota Department of Health to better mitigate the impact of COVID-19 on the public and health care systems;

Whereas, the Mayor finds that this situation threatens the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the community;

Whereas, the Mayor finds that the situation could resulted in an unknown number of infections if not immediately addressed; and

Whereas, the City Council of Cottonwood agrees with the Mayor's findings and further finds that the situation will last for more than three days;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COTTONWOOD, MINNESOTA AS FOLLOWS:

1. The city council declares that the situation constitutes a local emergency continuing until the nineteenth of May 2020

2. The city council declares that the local emergency follows and supports the guidance from Emergency Executive Order 20-48 Extending and Modifying Stay at Home Order, Continuing Temporary Closure of Bars, Restaurants, and Other Places of Public Accommodation, and Allowing Additional Workers in Certain Non-Critical Sectors to Return to Safe Workplaces

3. This declaration of a local emergency will invoke the city's all hazard mitigation plan. The portions that are necessary for response to and recovery from the emergency must be used. This declaration will also invoke the City's Temporary Policies in Response to COVID-19.

Passed by the City Council of Cottonwood, Minnesota this Fifth day of May 2020.

Mayor

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Heather Blair

City Administrator