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Declaration of Local Health Emergency

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Whereas, the H1N1 influenza pandemic has spread worldwide, and is expected to impact Mono County in the next few weeks, and

Whereas, it is anticipated that this pandemic will impact our local public health and healthcare systems, and potentially lead to disruption of essential services, and

Whereas, medical and health resources, as available, will need to be requested through the California Disaster and Civil Defense Master Mutual Aid Agreement (MMAA) in compliance with all SEMS and NIMS requirements, and

Whereas, a significant potential exists for the inability of regional, state, or federal resources to be able to meet our local needs, and,

Whereas, these circumstances are politically sensitive and will produce media attention requiring enhanced information sharing to include situational awareness and notification of partners at all levels, including the public, partners, and healthcare providers,

Therefore, according to the authority invested in me by the California Health and Safety Code Section 101080*, I hereby declare a Local Health Emergency exists in Mono County, beginning at the time as stated above.

*California Health and Safety Code Section 101080: ".....whenever there is an imminent and proximate threat of the introduction of any contagious, infectious, or communicable disease,..... the local health officer may declare a local health emergency in the jurisdiction or any area thereof affected by the threat to public health. Whenever a local health emergency is declared by the local health officer pursuant to this section, the local health emergency shall not remain in effect for a period in excess of seven days unless it has been ratified by the board of supervisors. The board of supervisors shall review, at least every 14 days until the local health emergency is terminated, the need for continuing the local health emergency and shall proclaim the termination of the local health emergency at the earliest possible date that conditions warrant the termination."