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DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the so-called 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) is a highly contagious and potentially fatal respiratory disease, the prevalence of which is increasing rapidly throughout the world, inclusive of the United States and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020 the World Health Organization designated COVID-19 a Pandemic Health Emergency; and


WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, the Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts issued a Declaration of a State of Emergency to respond to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Montague Selectboard and Montague Board of Health, in consultation with the State Department of Public Health has determined that COVID-19 poses a present and reasonable imminent danger to public health, safety, and the general welfare of people residing both within and outside of Montague; and

WHEREAS, the Montague Selectboard and Montague Board of Health have determined that immediate public action is needed in order to prevent or minimize the spread and acquisition of COVID-19 by and among the people of Montague; and

WHEREAS, Montague Selectboard and Montague Board of Health have recommended that state of emergency be declared in the Town of Montague;

NOW THEREFORE, the Montague Selectboard and Montague Board of Health, Massachusetts, hereby declare that as of 3:05pm on Sunday, March 15, 2020, a state of emergency exists in the Town of Montague. This declaration of emergency shall remain in effect until further notice is given, pursuant to these boards' judgment that a state of emergency no longer exists.


Richard Kuklewicz, Selectboard Chair

March 15, 2020
Date


Albert Cummings, Board of Health Chair

March 15, 2020
Date