## CITY OF CLOVIS EMERGENCY SERVICES DIRECTOR ORDER 2020 – 12

## DECLARATION OF THE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES OF THE CITY OF CLOVIS RELATING TO ENFORCEMENT OF LOCAL EMERGENCY ORDERS

**WHEREAS**, there exists a local emergency in the City of Clovis ("City") pursuant to Resolution 20-20, approved by the City Council on March 16, 2020, where the City declared a local emergency as a result of the threatened spread of COVID-19 in the City, surrounding areas, and the state; and

**WHEREAS**, under the authority of Government Code sections 8610 and 8634, and Clovis Municipal Code section 4.2.06, I am empowered, upon declaration of a local emergency, to make and issue regulations on matters reasonably related to the protection of life and property as affected by such emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 16, 2020, the California Department of Public Health established guidelines for social distancing, elimination of non-essential gatherings, and isolation for specific individuals, in order to prevent the transmission of COVID-19 ("DPH Guidance");

**WHEREAS**, on March 19, 2020, with the adoption of Executive Order N-33-20, the Governor ordered a Statewide stay at home/stay in place order ("Stay at Home Order"); and

**WHEREAS**, on March 21, 2020, the City Council approved Resolution No. 20-29, acknowledging and adopting the Governor's Stay at Home Order; and

WHEREAS, the City Council specifically made a finding that Executive Order N-33-20, as that Stay at Home Order may be amended or supplemented, shall be in full force and effect in the City of Clovis and shall also be considered a local order under the City's declared local emergency. Law enforcement forces of this City, along with other law enforcement authorities cooperating with the City, are hereby authorized and charged, to the extent provided by law, with the responsibility of enforcing the Governor's Order; and

**WHEREAS**, under my authority and in order to protect the public health, safety, and welfare, and to further prevent the spread of COVID-19, I have issued several "Local Emergency Orders" that supplement the DPH Guidance and Stay at Home Order, which have been confirmed by the City Council or are pending confirmation by the City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary and in the interest of public safety to adopt feasible and reasonable local enforcement mechanisms to ensure compliance with the Local Emergency Orders.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Luke Serpa, as Director of Emergency Services, declare effective 12:00 p.m. on April 10, 2020, as follows:

1. In addition to all other remedies and penalties available under the Clovis Municipal Code and state law, a violation of a Local Emergency Order issued by the Director of Emergency Services or City Council, shall be punishable by an administrative citation imposed pursuant to Chapter 1.7 of the Clovis Municipal Code with an administrative penalty of \$1,000 per violation. Due to the local emergency and the need to protect the public health, safety, and welfare, no notice and opportunity to correct is required before issuing a citation. Each and every day any violation of any provision of a Local Emergency Order or Emergency Ordinance is committed, continued, or permitted in the City, shall be considered a separate offense.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED**, that City police and code enforcement officers, along with other law enforcement authorities cooperating with the City, are hereby authorized and charged, to the extent provided by law, with the responsibility of implementing and enforcing this regulation.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDERED** that this regulation shall remain in effect until such time as it is terminated, amended or modified by the Director of Emergency Services or the City Council of the City of Clovis.

DATE AND TIME: April 10, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

Luke Serpa, Director of Emergency Services

ATTEST:

John Holt, City Clerk