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**CITY OF WHITTER, ALASKA  
EMERGENCY ORDINANCE 2020-03**

**AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE RENEWING THE PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY AND CITY COUNCIL'S RATIFICATION OF THAT PROCLAMATION AND ITS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE STATE-DECLARED EMERGENCY RESULTING FROM THE OUTBREAK OF COVID-19 IN ALASKA**

**WHEREAS**, the United States Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has identified COVID-19 as a significant public risk; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 11, 2020, Governor Dunleavy issued a declaration of public health disaster emergency in response to the anticipated outbreak of COVID-19 within Alaska's communities; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 11, 2020, The World Health Organization designated the COVID-19 outbreak a pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, various organizations, agencies, and local governments throughout the State of Alaska and within the City continue to cancel or restrict public gatherings, Alaska's schools remain closed, and travel remains restricted in efforts to contain the virus; and

**WHEREAS**, the recommendations of global, federal, state, and local organizations and government entities are changing almost daily in response to new information regarding COVID-19, which requires the City to be able to act swiftly to comply with these recommendations in its operations; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 23, 2020, the City Manager declared a local emergency as a result of COVID-19 and acknowledged the State of Alaska's declaration of state-wide emergency issued on March 11, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, Council recognized the public health emergency created by the COVID-19 outbreak and the imminent harm it poses to the City and members of the Whittier community in its adoption of Emergency Ordinance 2020-01; and

**WHEREAS**, Council also acknowledges that the declared state of emergency continues to exist and the City continues to need aid and assistance from both the federal and state government in responding to and rebuilding after the COVID-19 emergency,

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF WHITTIER CITY COUNCIL ORDAINS:**

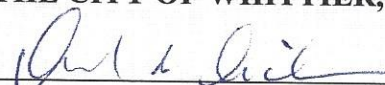
**Section 1.** The Whittier City Council hereby renews the City Manager's proclamation of emergency and acknowledges the continued statewide emergency arising from COVID-19.

**Section 2.** This ordinance is an emergency ordinance, is not permanent in nature, and shall not be codified.

**Section 3.** This ordinance shall take effect on the day it is enacted and shall expire sixty (60) days after its passage in accordance with WMC 2.08.310.

**ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHITTIER, ALASKA** this 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020.

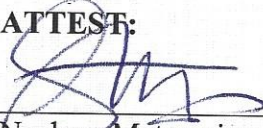
**THE CITY OF WHITTIER, ALASKA**

  
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Dave Dickason, Mayor

AYES: 6  
NOES: 0  
ABSENT: 1  
ABSTAIN: 0

*(An Emergency Order requires approval of all present members or  $\frac{3}{4}$  of total membership, whichever is less – WMC 2.08.310)*

**ATTEST:**

  
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Naelene Matsumiya  
City Clerk

(City Seal)