

**FAIRFAX COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
EMERGENCY SPECIAL MEETING
March 17, 2020**

AGENDA

10:00	Approved	Board Consideration of a Declaration of a Local State of Emergency in Response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19)
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Resolution

At a special meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Fairfax County, Virginia, held in the Board Auditorium of the Government Center at Fairfax, Virginia on Tuesday, March 17, 2020, at which a quorum was present and voting, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, as a result of the potential spread of COVID-19, a communicable disease of public health threat, the Governor of Virginia declared a state of emergency on March 12, 2020, and directed local governments to render appropriate assistance to prepare for this event, to alleviate any conditions resulting from the situation, and to implement recovery and mitigation operations and activities so as to return impacted areas to pre-event conditions as much as possible; and,

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a National Emergency beginning March 1, 2020, due to the outbreak of COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, cases of COVID-19 have been confirmed in the Fairfax Health District, and the potential impact of the spread of COVID-19 is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant coordinated local government action to prevent or alleviate the damage, loss, hardship, or suffering caused by the existence of this communicable disease of public health threat; and,


WHEREAS, due to the potential spread of COVID-19, the potential for substantial injury or harm to the population necessitates the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency; and,

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Virginia Emergency Services and Disaster Law of 2000, as amended, and set forth in Chapter 3.2 of Title 44 of the Code of Virginia, authorizes the Director of Emergency Management to declare the existence of a local emergency with the consent of the governing body; now therefore be it

RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Fairfax County consents to the declaration of a local emergency by the Director of Emergency Management effective March 17, 2020.

ADOPTED this 17th day of March 2020.

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Jill G. Cooper
Clerk for the Board of Supervisors



**DECLARATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY
FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA**

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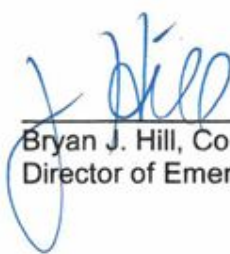
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WHEREAS, due to the potential spread of COVID-19, the potential for substantial injury or harm to the population necessitates the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency; and,

WHEREAS, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors has consented to the declaration of a local emergency; it is hereby

DECLARED, that a local emergency exists throughout Fairfax County because the potential spread of COVID-19 will create the potential for an emergency that threatens to be of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant coordinated local government action to prevent or alleviate the damage, loss, hardship, or suffering threatened pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 44-146.16 and 44-146.21, and that this declaration shall remain in effect until the Board of Supervisors takes appropriate action to end the declared emergency; and it is

FURTHER DECLARED that the Fairfax County Emergency Operations Plan is now in effect, and that the powers, functions, and duties of the Director of Emergency Management and the Emergency Management organization of the County of Fairfax shall be those set forth in the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the ordinances, resolutions, and approved plans of Fairfax County in order to mitigate the effects of this emergency.



Bryan J. Hill, County Executive
Director of Emergency Management