RESOLUTION NO. 20-099

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY IN RESPONSE TO PROTESTS IN CARSON OVER THE TRAGIC DEATH OF GEORGE FLOYD ON MAY 25, 2020 IN MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

WHEREAS, On May 25, 2020, George Floyd tragically died in Minneapolis, Minnesota, shortly following his arrest, during which an officer of the Minneapolis Police Department kneeled on his neck to detain him, and then did not respond to Mr. Floyd's requests for help when he stated that he could not breathe; and

WHEREAS, Los Angeles County and the City of Los Angeles have requested State assistance including the activation of the California National Guard based on the civil unrest the City and County of Los Angeles reported, and based on limited local resources; and

WHEREAS, Governor Newsom found that the conditions of Government Code section 8625 (b), relating to the proclamation of a State of Emergency have been met, and proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in Los Angeles County on May 30, 2020, which is anticipated to carry through at least through June 14, 2020 as civil unrest is anticipated to continue through the weekend and likely beyond; and

WHEREAS, the City of Carson is requesting State public financial assistance under the California Disaster Assistance Act, Gov't Code § 8680 et seq., to cover overtime costs incurred by public safety and Public Works staff providing orderly assistance to assure the safety of the public and of persons protesting in Carson due to the death of George Floyd at the hands of the Minneapolis Minnesota Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety, and welfare of the City of Carson residents, businesses, visitors, and staff are of utmost importance to the City and additional future measures may be needed to protect the community; and

WHEREAS, Article III, Chapter 7 of the Carson Municipal Code (CMC) details the powers and responsibilities of the City during emergency circumstances; and

WHEREAS, CMC Section 3705 authorizes the City Council of the City to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency if the City Council is in session; and

WHEREAS, any new equipment purchased or equipment rented in providing mitigation emergency response during any resident protest in the City of Carson will be requested for reimbursement.

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CARSON, CALIFORNIA, HEREBY FINDS, DETERMINES AND RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Recitals. The above recitals are true and correct, and are incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. Proclamation of Emergency. The actual existence of conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property has arisen within the City of Carson, caused the effects surrounding the protest of the tragic death of George Floyd, and thereby proclaims that a local emergency now exists throughout the City.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Carson, California, at a regular meeting held on the 16 th day of June, 2020.
Mayor Albert Robles
ATTEST:
City Clerk Donesia Gause-Aldana
APPROVED AS TO FORM:
City Attorney Sunny K. Soltani
STATE OF CALIFORNIA) COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) ss. CITY OF CARSON)

I, Donesia Gause-Aldana, City Clerk of the City of Carson, California hereby attest to and certify that the foregoing resolution, being Resolution No. 20-090 adopted by the Carson City Council at its meeting held on the 9th day of June, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS:

City Clerk Donesia Gause-Aldana