PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF EL MIRAGE DECLARING A LOCAL EMERGENCY TO ADDRESS COVID-19

WHEREAS, A.R.S. § 26-311 and El Mirage City Code § 32.043 (Powers and Duties of the Mayor) empower the Mayor of the City of El Mirage to declare a local emergency when the City of El Mirage is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity; and

WHEREAS, El Mirage City Code § 32.043 (Powers and Duties of the Mayor) empowers the Mayor of the City of El Mirage to govern by proclamation, and impose all necessary regulations to preserve the peace and order of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Disease-19 (also known as COVID-19) has been declared an emergency by the Governor of Arizona on March 11, 2020; and

WHEREAS, to take proactive preventive measures in the interests of public health as encouraged by the Governor, the City of El Mirage will need assistance to operate public services while taking measures to protect its workforce and protect the public health to prevent unnecessary transmission of the disease.

NOW, THEREFORE I, THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF EL MIRAGE, ARIZONA, BY THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE LAW RECITED ABOVE AND BY THIS PROCLAMATION DO:

- Section 1. Determine and deem that an emergency exists due to the COVID-19 pandemic which presents conditions which are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, facilities of the City of El Mirage; and
- Section 2. Declare a State of Emergency exists in the City of El Mirage effective this date; and
- Section 3. Order and direct that public access be closed to all facilities under the control of the City Manager, including but not limited to City Hall, Police and Fire Administrative Offices, Senior Center, Utility Customer Service, athletic fields and courts in the interests of preserving the public health and preventing the spread of the disease, and
- Section 4. Order and direct that all city-scheduled activities creating a gathering of people of the city shall be canceled and that rental of city facilities to private parties for events shall be canceled, and fees refunded; and
- Section 5. Order and direct that all out-of-state requests for city-business travel shall be denied unless summoned by court order or discretionary case by case for moving intergovernmental projects of the city forward or similar unavoidable circumstance; and
- Section 6. Order, direct and authorize the City Manager to implement any procedures and take any action she deems necessary to carry out the intent of this Proclamation.

Anyone who knowingly fails or refuses to obey the orders issued in this Proclamation shall be guilty of a class 1 misdemeanor as authorized by A.R.S. § 26-317. This Proclamation shall remain in full

force and effect until amended or terminated by further order of the Mayor.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF EL MIRAGE, ARIZONA, this 17th day of March,2020.

Alexis A. Hermosillo, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Sharon Antes, City Clerk

Pierce Coleman, PLLC, City Attorney