PROCLAMATION

BY KELL PALGUTA, MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF PRESCOTT VALLEY, ARIZONA

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the Governor of the State of Arizona, Douglas A. Ducey, determined that the COVID-19 outbreak presents conditions in Arizona that justified his declaration of a State of Emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States of America, Donald J. Trump, found and proclaimed that the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States constituted a national emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020, the national Center for Disease Control and Prevention and the Arizona Department of Health Services recommend that (1) for the next 8 weeks organizers cancel or postpone in-person events that consist of 50 people or more, (2) Statewide closures of Arizona schools through Friday, March 27, 2020, and (3) recommend telework and other alternatives when available; and

WHEREAS, today (March 16, 2020) President Trump issued his “Coronavirus Guidelines for America: 15 Days to Slow the Spread” which provides guidance to avoid social gatherings of more than 10 people (and direction to “Listen to and follow the directions of your state and local authorities”; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of Prescott Valley is authorized by Arizona Revised Statutes (ARS) §26-307 and Town Code §2-02-040(F) to proclaim that a local emergency exists and, thereafter, to impose all necessary regulations to preserve the peace and order of the Town;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND DECLARED AS FOLLOWS:

1. A local emergency exists in the Town of Prescott Valley due to the COVID-19 outbreak which endangers life or property within the Town.

2. As a result of said emergency I hereby impose the following regulations to preserve the peace and order of the Town:

   a. Closing public access to the Library portion of the Joint Facility located at 7401 E. Skoog Boulevard until further notice; and

   b. Closing public access to the following public facilities inside designated public parks and recreation areas:

      * restrooms
      * playgrounds
      * pools
      * skate/bike parks

3. Nothing herein shall preclude public access to the following public facilities during the hours otherwise provided by Town Code or other applicable Town regulations:
a. That portion of the Joint Facility rented by Northern Arizona University (subject to any closures established by the University); and

b. Those publicly accessible turf areas, parking areas, pavilions, ramadas and dog parks.

4. These emergency regulations shall remain in full force and effect until such time as the emergency declared herein abates and is withdrawn, or a subsequent Proclamation is issued with amendments.

5. In accordance with ARS §26-307(B), this Proclamation shall be effective when a copy thereof is filed in the office of the Town Clerk. Existing laws, ordinances, orders, rules and regulations in conflict with the same are hereby suspended during the time and to the extent that they conflict.

Signed and executed this 16th day of March, 2020.

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Kell Palguta, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Fatima Fernandez, Acting Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Ivan Legler, Town Attorney