



**KODIAK EMERGENCY SERVICES COUNCIL**  
**DECLARATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH DISASTER EMERGENCY**



**A RESOLUTION OF THE EMERGENCY SERVICES COUNCIL (ESC)  
DECLARING A PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY AND AUTHORIZING THE  
EMERGENCY SERVICES DIRECTOR TO TAKE NECESSARY ACTIONS TO  
REDUCE THE IMPACT AND SPREAD OF THE CORONAVIRUS, KNOWN AS  
COVID-19, THROUGHOUT THE KODIAK ISLAND BOROUGH**

WHEREAS, the United States Center for Disease Control and Prevention has identified the COVID19 virus as a new strain of coronavirus not previously identified in humans, causing respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death and which poses a significant public health risk; and

WHEREAS, on March 2, 2020, the Kodiak Emergency Services Council became active to provide a local framework for coordinated communications, preparedness, and response; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared a pandemic related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, Alaska Governor Michael J. Dunleavy declared a Public Health Disaster Emergency in the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, President Donald Trump declared a National Emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, Alaska Governor Michael J. Dunleavy issued a third health mandate; and

WHEREAS, a proactive approach taken by individuals and communities to slow the rate of infection will reduce the negative impact on our health care system and community; and

WHEREAS, a declaration of a disaster emergency by the ESC is required to access state and federal disaster assistance, and may expedite procurement of local resources and funding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Emergency Services Council does declare a Disaster Emergency per AS 26.23.140 to exist in the City of Kodiak and the Kodiak Island Borough.

SIGNED this 18th day of March, 2020

Mike Tvenge

Emergency Services Director for the Emergency Services Council