RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASADENA RATIFYING THE DECLARATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY – WINDSTORMS AND FIRES

WHEREAS, windstorms of extraordinary magnitude and widespread fires that began on January 7, 2025 have simultaneously impacted the City of Pasadena; and

WHEREAS, these conditions include dangerous gusts of over 80 miles per hour and wind-driven and destructive wildfires, causing extensive interruption of utilities and other critical services to the community, as well as widespread damage to infrastructure, structures, and roads that necessitated evacuation of Pasadena residents and multiple sheltering operations; and

WHEREAS, residential structures, businesses, and critical infrastructures in several areas throughout the City of Pasadena have sustained major damage and continue to be threatened by the windstorms and fires; and

WHEREAS, the City of Pasadena's departments and work force, utilizing their full resources, have responded to these conditions in a professional manner and have worked diligently to protect the public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, these conditions are beyond the control of the services, personnel equipment and facilities of the City of Pasadena, requiring combined forces of a mutual aid region or regions to appropriately respond; and

WHEREAS, Title 2, Chapter 2.370 of the Pasadena Municipal Code empowers the Director of Disaster Emergency Services to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when said city is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity if the City Council is not in session, subject to ratification by the City Council within seven days; and

WHEREAS, conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property continue to occur due to the windstorms and fires that commenced on January 7, 2025, at which time the City Council of the City of Pasadena was not in session; and

WHEREAS, the City Council does hereby find that the aforesaid conditions did warrant and necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency; and

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WHEREAS, the Director of Disaster Emergency Services of the City of Pasadena did proclaim the existence of a local emergency within said city on the 8th day of January, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PASADENA RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. That the January 8, 2025 Declaration of Local Emergency Windstorms and Fires is hereby ratified and confirmed by the City Council; and
- 2. That said local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the City Council of the City of Pasadena

Adopted at the _____ meeting of the City Council on the _____ day of , 2025 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Mark Jomsky City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Michele Beal Bagneris City Attorney