

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SONOMA COUNTY  
FIRE DISTRICT, COUNTY OF SONOMA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA,  
RATIFYING THE PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY DUE TO THE  
JANUARY 2023 WINTER STORMS AND FLOODING**

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**WHEREAS**, the California Emergency Services Act (California Government Code section 8630 et seq.) (“CESA”) and the Fire Protection District Law of 1987 (California Health and Safety Code section 13800 et seq.) (“FPDL”) empower the Board of Directors of the Sonoma County Fire District (“District”), as a “local agency”, to proclaim the existence of a local emergency under the California Disaster Assistance Act when the Governor of California determines a disaster, including, but not limited to, a winter storms, flooding, or similar public calamity, presents a threat to public safety; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 3, 2023, due to the actual and anticipated impact of the winter storms and flooding, the Director of Emergency Services of the County of Sonoma issued a Proclamation of Local Emergency for the entirety of Sonoma County; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 4, 2023, due to the actual and anticipated impact of these storms, the Governor of California issued a Proclamation of a State of Emergency for the entire State of California, finding that local authority is inadequate to cope with the magnitude of the damage caused by these winter storms and flooding; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 7, 2023, due to the actual and anticipated impact of these storms, the District Fire Chief issued a Proclamation of Local Emergency within the jurisdiction and service areas of the District; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 9, 2023, the President of the United States issued a Major Disaster Declaration in support of the emergency response and recovery efforts of the State of California, counties and local agencies, due to the severe winter storms, flooding, and mudslide; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 10, 2023, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma ratified the Director of Emergency Services Proclamation of Local Emergency issued January 3, 2023, finding that the situation is of such severity and magnitude that effective response is beyond the capabilities of affected local governments; and

**WHEREAS**, the District Board of Directors does hereby find that the conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property; circumstance of ongoing and anticipated winter storms, flooding, and mudslides impacting District operations; including the proclamations of emergency by the County of Sonoma and Governor of California, as well as the declaration of major disaster by the President of the United States; support and justify a proclamation of continuing local emergency by the District.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND PROCLAIMED** that the District Board of Directors does hereby ratify the District Proclamation of Local Emergency issued January 7, 2023, effective immediately upon adoption of this Resolution., in addition to the Sonoma County

**BE IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED AND PROCLAIMED** that during the continuing local emergency, the District shall authorize, on a case by case basis as allowed under the County and State proclamations of emergency, the waiver of various statutes and regulations that may hinder District operations, response, and recovery efforts.

**BE IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED AND PROCLAIMED** that the District shall cooperate with Federal State, and County officials to receive all possible response and recovery resources, support, and funding, including, but not limited to, from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, State Office of Emergency Services, and the County of Sonoma Operational Area.

**BE IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED AND PROCLAIMED** that, pursuant to Government Code sections 8630(c) and 8680.9, the District Board of Directors shall review the need to continuing the local emergency at least once every sixty (60) days until the District Board of Directors terminates the local emergency.

**THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION** was introduced at a special meeting of the District Board of Directors on January 10, 2023, by Director \_\_\_\_\_, who moved its adoption, seconded by Directors \_\_\_\_\_, and ordered adopted by the following vote:

President Tognozzi \_\_\_\_, Vice President Treanor \_\_\_\_, Director Briare \_\_\_\_,  
Director Hamann \_\_\_\_, Director Klick \_\_\_\_, Director So \_\_\_\_, Director Weaver \_\_\_\_

**WHEREUPON** the Board President declared the foregoing Resolution adopted; and  
**SO ORDERED.**

ATTEST:

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Kathy Washington, Secretary of the Board