

RESOLUTION NO. 2020 - 3-26

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EDGEMONT RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT APPROVING THE CONTINUATION OF THE DECLARATION OF A LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY RELATED TO COVID-19.**

**WHEREAS**, the Edgemont Ranch Metropolitan District (the "District") is a quasi-municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of Colorado organized pursuant to the Colorado Special District Act, C.R.S. 32-1-101, *et seq.* (the "Act"); and

**WHEREAS**, the District owns and operates water and wastewater systems which provide essential services for residents in the District; and

**WHEREAS**, the provisions of C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709 authorize the chief executive officer of a political subdivision to declare a local disaster emergency under certain conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, the provisions C.R.S. § 24- 33.5-709 state that a declaration of a local disaster emergency shall not continue for a period in excess of seven (7) days except with the consent of the governing board of the political subdivision; and

**WHEREAS**, the Manager of the District has declared a local disaster emergency due to the presence of the Coronavirus within the state of Colorado and that the preparation and execution of a response plan is necessary, a copy of which is attached hereto (the "Declaration"); and

**WHEREAS**, the immediate and long-term potential costs associated with the COVID-19 outbreak may be in excess of the District's available resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the Declaration acknowledges that it will not continue for a period in excess of seven days without the approval of the District Board of Directors, and the Board desires to give its consent to the continuation of the Declaration; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board finds that the local disaster emergency described in the Declaration is ongoing, and that the Declaration should be continued until the emergency ceases.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EDGEMONT RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT** that the Local Emergency Disaster Declaration signed by the Manager of the District on March 20, 2020 related to COVID-19, pursuant to the authority granted under C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709 is hereby approved and the provisions of the said Declaration, including the exercise of the powers and authority described in the Declaration are hereby ratified and continued until further action of the Board.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** this <sup>th</sup> 26 day of March 2020.

**EDGEMONT RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT**

By   
President



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## Disaster Declaration

**WHEREAS**, Edgemont Ranch Metropolitan District ("District") is a quasi-municipal corporation and political subdivision of the state of Colorado and;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709(1) a local disaster may be declared by the principal executive officer of a political subdivision for up to seven days, and then must have the consent by the governing board of the political subdivision; and

**WHEREAS**, the effect of a declaration of local disaster emergency is to activate the response and recovery aspects of any and all applicable local and interjurisdictional disaster emergency plans and to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance under such plans, pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709(2); and

**WHEREAS**, the Coronavirus, a/k/a COVID-19, constitutes a public health emergency of International concern and has been determined to be present in Colorado and can be anticipated to spread significantly, requiring emergency preparation and execution of procedures to minimize its impact and protect the health, safety and welfare of District constituents; and

**WHEREAS**, the District provides essential services within La Plata which has declared this matter to be a local disaster emergency; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the principal executive officer of the District declares that the presence of the Coronavirus within the State of Colorado constitutes a local disaster emergency that warrants preparation for and execution of procedures to deal with the emergency and that funds in such amounts as shall be determined by the principal executive officer and the governing body of the District shall be allocated from District reserves toward preparation and execution of a response plan.

**DECLARED** this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020.

By: *Philip Martin, president ERMD*

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