BROADWATER COUNTY
DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY TO EXIST RELATED TO THE
COMMUNICABLE DISEASE, COVID-19 NOVEL CORONAVIRUS

Whereas, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) declared a public health emergency in the United States because of the COVID-19 novel coronavirus;

Whereas, the World Health Organization has declared the worldwide outbreak of COVID-19 novel coronavirus;

Whereas, the President of the United States has declared that the outbreak of coronavirus disease (COIVD-19) in the United States constituted a national emergency;

Whereas, the Governor of the State of Montana has declared an emergency exists statewide related to the communicable disease COVID-19 novel coronavirus;

Whereas, the circumstances of this outbreak may exceed the capacity of the services, personnel, equipment, supplies and facilities of Broadwater County to combat;

Whereas, the outbreak of the coronavirus disease (COIVD-19) may affect the local economy in Broadwater County,

Whereas, Section 10-3-103(8), states: "Emergency" means the imminent threat of a disaster causing immediate peril to life or property that timely action can avert or minimize;

Whereas, pursuant to Sections 10-3-402 and 10-3-404, MCA, the principal executive officer of a political subdivision has authority to issue an emergency declaration to mobilize local resources to protect life, health, property and the economy;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Laura Obert, Chair of the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Broadwater, Montana, pursuant to Title 10, Chapter 3, Montana Code Annotated, and other applicable statutes, do hereby declare that an emergency exists countywide, is hereby declared pursuant to Section 10-3-402 MCA and all provisions of the Broadwater County Public Health Emergency Plan and the Broadwater County Emergency Operations Plan are in effect; and that a copy of this declaration be filed with the Broadwater County Clerk and Recorder, Montana Department of Revenue, and the Montana Disaster and Emergency Services Division.

[Signature]
Chair of the Board of County Commissioners

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ATTEST:

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Clerk and Recorder