

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF SAN BENITO
COUNTY RECOGNIZING THE CONTINUING PROCLAMATION OF A
LOCAL EMERGENCY IN SAN BENITO COUNTY**

WHEREAS, California Government Code section 8630 and the San Benito County Code empower the County Administrator/Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence of a local emergency when San Benito County is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity, subject to ratification by the Board of Supervisors at the earliest practicable time; and

WHEREAS, the Deputy Director of Emergency Services, acting at the direction of the County Administrator, found that conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property had arisen within said County caused by the winter storm event starting on January 6, 2017, including the threat of flooding due to winter storms which necessitated the issuance of proclamation of a local emergency on January 12, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Benito ratified said proclamation of Local Emergency on Tuesday, January 17, 2017; and

WHEREAS, conditions of extreme peril continue to exist including highway and bridge damage, debris deposits, and damage and flooding to local residences caused by the heavy rains and the effects thereof, which constitute an imminent threat to public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, another series of storms during the months of January and February 2017 have caused additional flooding which have endangered people and livestock and caused destruction and damage to both public and private property; and,

WHEREAS, the County Administrator/Director of Emergency Services determined that the locally available resources are inadequate to cope with the emergency and that it was necessary to request that the Governor proclaim a statewide emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED, that the “Proclamation Confirming the Deputy Director of Emergency Services’ Proclamation of the Existence of a Local Emergency” adopted by the Board of Supervisors on January 17, 2017, and continuing since that date due to the 2017 Winter Storm Event, is hereby extended for 30 days; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED, that during the existence of this local emergency, the powers, functions and duties of the County Administrator and the emergency management organization of the San Benito County Operational Area shall continue to be those prescribed by Federal law; State law; by ordinances, resolutions and the Code of the

County of San Benito; and by the San Benito County/Operational Area Emergency Operations Plan approved by the San Benito County Board of Supervisors; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED, pursuant to Government Code section 8630, the Board of Supervisors shall review the need for continuing this local emergency at least once every thirty days until the Board of Supervisors terminates the local emergency; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERD that a copy of this proclamation be forwarded to the State Director of the Office of Emergency Services and all State and Federal legislators representing the County of San Benito.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the San Benito County Board of Supervisors, State of California, at the meeting of said Board held on the 11th day of April, 2017.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

JAIME DE LA CRUZ, Chair
San Benito County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:
Chase Graves, Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:
San Benito County Counsel's Office

By: _____

Barbara Thompson
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