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**DECLARATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY**  
**COVID-19**

WHEREAS, in accordance with Virginia Code § 44-146.21. that gives a local government the ability to declare a state of emergency to protect its citizens from current and potential emergencies; and

WHEREAS, The SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) has been declared a world pandemic, and is a novel disease that has resulted in death to our most vulnerable populations such as the elderly and immune depressed; and

WHEREAS, Carroll County, at this time, does not have a recorded positive case, but understands the risk and severity of this situation and continues to implement plans and provides information for its citizens to help reduce the exposure and possibly lessen the impact on the community; and

WHEREAS, Carroll County understands the economic impact that COVID-19 is causing not only on the national stage but the local economy and the risk to its businesses; and

WHEREAS, the United States of America and the Commonwealth of Virginia have declared States of Emergency to protect their citizens, and to get more information out, as well as to move the proper resource to the affected areas; and

WHEREAS, Carroll County reinforces the guidance from the Federal government of reducing exposure by limiting the number of people in a group, using good hygiene and cleaning of high traffic areas, and social distancing to reduce the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Carroll County will continue to monitor the ever-changing situation, implement county plans, and provide information to the public to further mitigate the spread and comfort its citizens from the panic that could occur from such an emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED, the Carroll County Board of Supervisors declares that Carroll County is under a State of Emergency by the Director of Emergency Management, and the Emergency Operations Plan is now in effect on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020.

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Joe N. Webb, Chairman