

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-5**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE DURANGO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT APPROVING THE CONTINUATION OF THE DECLARATION OF A LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY RELATED TO COVID-19.**

**WHEREAS,** the Durango Fire Protection 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 provides fire protection and emergency services which are essential services within La Plata County and the City of Durango; 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 Fire Chief of the District has declared a local disaster emergency due to the presence of the Coronavirus within the state of Colorado and has determined 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 currently available resources; 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 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 consent to the continuation and renewal 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.

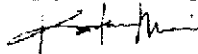
**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE DURANGO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT** that the Local Emergency Disaster Declaration related to COVID-19 signed by the Fire Chief of the District on March 18, 2020, pursuant to the authority granted under C.R.S. § 24-33.5-709, is hereby approved and the provisions of the said Declaration, including the exercise of the powers and authority described in the Declaration, are hereby ratified and confirmed until further action of the Board.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** this 25 day of March 2020.

ATTEST:

  
Patti Zink, Secretary/Treasurer

**DURANGO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**



Kathy Morris, President  
Durango Fire Protection District