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## DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY GLOBAL PANDEMIC OF CORONAVIRUS DISEASE

WHEREAS, there exists a global pandemic of coronavirus disease (COVID-19); and

**WHEREAS,** the pandemic has resulted in the spread of infections throughout the United States and the State of Connecticut; and

**WHEREAS,** on March 10, 2020, the Governor declared a public health emergency and civil preparedness emergency throughout the State pursuant to sections 19a-131a and 28-9 of the General Statutes; and

**WHEREAS,** on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national emergency pursuant to section 501 (b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the "Stafford Act"); and

**WHEREAS,** it is critically important that the City Manager have all authorities necessary to limit the spread of the COVID-19 and protect public health and safety within the City of Meriden; and

WHEREAS, upon the declaration of a state of emergency, the City Charter authorizes the City Manager to promulgate regulations deemed necessary to protect life and property and to protect critical resources, mobilize civil preparedness forces, obtain vital supplies and equipment needed for the protection of health, life and property of the people and bind the City for the fair value thereof.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I HEREBY DECLARE** pursuant to Chapter 87, Section 87-5 of the City Code, that a state of emergency exists in the City of Meriden as a result of the pandemic of COVID-19; and

I FURTHER DECLARE that such a state of emergency shall exist until declared to be terminated.

**EFFECTIVE AS OF: 0800, 18 MARCH 2020** 

City Manager
City of Meriden