## DECLARATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY CITY OF MANASSAS, VIRGINIA



WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Governor Ralph S. Northam declared a state of emergency in the Commonwealth of Virginia due to Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), a communicable disease of public health threat; and whereas on March 15, 2020, Governor Ralph S. Northam announced a temporary statewide ban on all public events of more than 100 people; and

**WHEREAS**, the threat to public health and safety to the residents of the City of Manassas from exposure to COVID-19 constitutes an emergency or disaster of such sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant a coordinated response by the various City departments, agencies and voluntary organizations.

**THEREFORE**, I, William Patrick Pate, City Manager and Director of Emergency Management for the City of Manassas, hereby declare a state of local emergency in the City of Manassas, pursuant to Sections 44-146.13, et. Seq., VA Code Ann.

In accordance with the City of Manassas Emergency Operations Plan, I am designating Chief Rob Clemons as the Coordinator of Emergency Management. This declaration will be presented for confirmation by the City Council at the Council's next regularly scheduled meeting or at a special meeting within 45 days of the declaration, whatever occurs first.

W. Patrick Pate City Manager

**Director of Emergency Management** 

Date and time

CC:

Mayor and Council

Craig Brown, City Attorney