# PROCLAMATION OF EXISTENCE OF A COUNTY-WIDE LOCAL EMERGENCY (UNINCORPORATED AND INCORPORATED AREAS OF SAN DIEGO COUNTY)

#### **AND**

# REQUEST TO THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO PROCLAIM A STATE OF EMERGENCY AND TAKE OTHER SPECIFIED ACTIONS

## **RECITALS**

- R1. The California Emergency Services Act, including but not limited to Government Code section 8630 and the County of San Diego Emergency Services Organization Ordinance (Code of Regulatory Ordinances, sections 31.101 et seq.) empower the Chief Administrative Officer of the County of San Diego as Director of Emergency Services, to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when said County is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the Board of Supervisors is not in session; and
- **R2.** The Chief Administrative Officer of the County of San Diego as Director of Emergency Services, does hereby find that on August 19, 2023, conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen within San Diego County, as a result of approaching Tropical Cyclone Hilary which is forecasted to produce widespread flooding, potential for mudslides, erosion, and storm debris throughout the County resulting in numerous road closures and severe damage to both public and private infrastructure and;
- **R3.** The Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session; and
- **R4.** The Chief Administrative Officer of the County of San Diego as Director of Emergency Services, finds that these emergency conditions will be beyond the control of local resources, services, personnel, equipment, and facilities; and
- **R5.** The Chief Administrative Officer of the County of San Diego as Director of Emergency Services, finds that these emergency conditions will require additional resources, services, personnel, equipment, facilities and funding as follows (The following list does not necessarily reflect the total or final extent of the assistance that may be required. Additional assistance may be requested as the emergency evolves): all state and federal disaster funding to support recovery and repair efforts within the operational area as a result of storm damage. State personnel and equipment may be requested during and after the landfall of Tropical Cyclone Hilary and will be communicated to the State through the Operational Area Emergency Operations Center.
  - **R6.** This Proclamation of Local Emergency will be ratified by the Board of

### **PROCLAMATIONS AND ORDERS**

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** by the Chief Administrative Officer of the County of San Diego as Director of Emergency Services, as follows:

- 1. That a local emergency exists throughout San Diego County pursuant to Government Code section 8630 and as defined by Government Code section 8558 and shall be deemed to continue to exist subject to ratification, review and termination by the Board of Supervisors pursuant to Government Code section 8630.
- 2. That during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the emergency organization of this county shall be those prescribed by State law including but not limited to Government Code section 8634, County ordinances and resolutions, and the current Emergency Services Agreement and Operational Area Emergency Plan.
- **3.** That a copy of this Proclamation be forwarded to the Director of the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services ("Director Cal OES") requesting that the Director Cal OES find this Proclamation acceptable in accordance with State law and forward this Proclamation to the Governor of the State of California for consideration and action on San Diego County's requests that:
  - **3.1** The Governor suspend those statutes, regulations, rules and orders that may hinder response and recovery efforts.
  - **3.2** The Governor order that recovery assistance be made available to San Diego County under the California Disaster Assistance Act.
  - **3.3** The Governor order that the State expedite access to Federal resources and any other appropriate federal disaster relief programs for San Diego County.
  - **3.4** The Governor request a Presidential Declaration of a Major Disaster for San Diego County and that the President award any and all appropriate Federal assistance.
- **4.** The Director of the County Office of Emergency Services shall continue to assess the local emergency and, as emergency response and recovery efforts warrant, send to Director Cal OES any additional requests that the Governor suspend further statutes, rules and regulations pursuant to Gov Code sec 8571, and that State and Federal assistance be provided to San Diego County.
- **5.** Helen Robbins-Meyer, Chief Administrative Officer, or her representative is hereby designated as the authorized representative of the County of San Diego for the

purpose of receipt, processing, and coordination of all inquiries and requirements necessary to obtain available state and federal assistance.

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO** 

Date/Time:

8/19/23 8:24PM

Helen Robbins-Meyer,

Chief Administrative Officer and Director of Emergency Services