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**SECOND SUPPLEMENT TO THE EXECUTIVE ORDER OF THE DIRECTOR OF  
EMERGENCY SERVICES DECLARING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL  
EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS international, national, state, and local health and governmental authorities are responding to an outbreak of respiratory disease caused by a novel coronavirus named “SARS-CoV-2,” and the disease it causes has been named “coronavirus disease 2019,” abbreviated COVID-19, (“COVID-19”); and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors and Department of Public Health declared a local emergency and local public health emergency to aid the regional healthcare and governmental community in responding to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor of the State of California declared a state of emergency to make additional resources available, formalize emergency actions already underway across multiple state agencies and departments, and help the State prepare for broader spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States of America declared a national emergency and announced that the federal government would make emergency funding available to assist state and local governments in preventing the spread of and addressing the effects of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the City Manager, in his role as the Director of Emergency Services, proclaimed the existence of a local emergency pursuant to Chapter 2.16 of the Santa Monica Municipal Code to ensure the availability of mutual aid and an effective the City’s response to the novel coronavirus (“COVID-19”) and this local emergency was restated on March 14, 2020, through a revised declaration of local emergency to ensure compliance with all digital signature requirements; and

WHEREAS the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the California Department of Public Health, and the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health have all issued recommendations including but not limited to social distancing, staying home if sick, canceling or postponing large group events, working from home, and other precautions to protect public health and prevent transmission of this communicable virus; and

WHEREAS the recommendations from the California Department of Public Health include that, in order to protect public health and slow the rate of transmission of COVID-19, large gatherings, including outdoor gatherings, that include 250 people or more should be postponed or canceled through at least the end of March unless essential; and

WHEREAS the recommendations from the California Department of Health include that businesses, employers, and event organizers should take steps to ensure that social distancing of six feet per person for non-family members is maintained; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announced guidance that events and gatherings, whether planned or spontaneous, that include 50 or more people should be cancelled for a period of eight weeks to prevent the spread of COVID-19 unless they can be carried out with adherence to guidelines for protecting vulnerable populations, hand hygiene, and social distancing; and

WHEREAS the Santa Monica Pier is an iconic destination and a City landmark that draws approximately eight million visitors annually; and

WHEREAS the Santa Monica Pier is a public street on which approximately 31 private merchants, 12 cart vendors, and up to 30 street performers provide food, services, and entertainment to the public; and

WHEREAS, despite public health guidance and despite reduced operations by private merchants on the Santa Monica Pier, members of the public continue to visit the Santa Monica Pier in large numbers; and

WHEREAS in the interest of public health and safety, as affected by the emergency caused by the spread of COVID-19, it is necessary to exercise my authority to issue this regulation related to the protection of life and property.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Cole, the Director of Emergency Services for the City of Santa Monica, do hereby issue the following order to become effective immediately, subject to ratification as soon as practicable by the City Council:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. For purposes of this Order, the Santa Monica Pier shall mean the City property that comprises the Santa Monica Municipal Pier and the Newcomb Pier.
2. The Santa Monica Pier shall be closed to the public as of 0600 hours on March 16, 2020.
3. No person shall enter the Santa Monica Pier unless that person is (a) an employee of the City of Santa Monica or (b) an individual identified by an employee of the City of Santa Monica as either (1) an owner or employee of a business located on the Santa Monica Pier or (2) a third-party vendor of a business located on the Santa Monica Pier.

4. City staff are hereby directed to determine whether the Santa Monica Pier can be reopened on a limited basis during the local emergency in a manner that is consistent with the guidance issued by federal, state, and local public health authorities to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and with the operational capabilities of the City during the period of local emergency.

5. This Order shall be enforceable as set forth in Section 2.16.100 of the Santa Monica Municipal Code.

6. This order shall remain in effect during the period of local emergency unless and until superseded by a duly enacted Ordinance of the City Council or by a further Order by the Director of Emergency Services adopted during the local emergency that expressly supersedes this Order.

ADOPTED this 15th day of March 2020.

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RICK COLE  
City Manager  
Director of Emergency Services

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