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**DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY IN THE VILLAGE OF JOHNSON CREEK**

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THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT OF THE VILLAGE OF JOHNSON CREEK, JEFFERSON COUNTY, WISCONSIN, DOES HEREBY PROCLAIM AS FOLLOWS:

**WHEREAS**, the 2019 novel strain of coronavirus, known as COVID-19, is a respiratory virus that is extremely contagious and can be fatal;

**WHEREAS**, COVID-19 has spread throughout numerous countries, including the United States, and numerous cases have been identified in Wisconsin;

**WHEREAS**, the President of the United States has declared a national emergency and the Governor of Wisconsin has declared a public health emergency in the State of Wisconsin because of the spread of COVID-19;

**WHEREAS**, the spread of COVID-19 in Jefferson County (the "County"), including within the Village of Johnson Creek (the "Village"), presents an imminent threat of a disaster that may impact medical care and other critical systems within the County and the Village; and

**WHEREAS**, a multi-agency, multi-jurisdictional response is necessary to undertake efforts to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

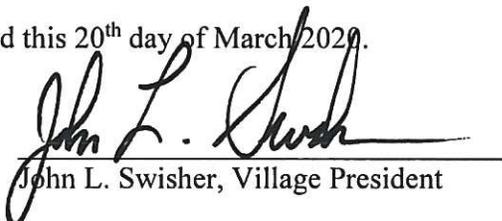
**NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED**, that pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§323.11 and 323.14(4)(b), in order to protect the public peace, health and safety, preserve lives and property, economic stability, and insure cooperation and coordination, a Declaration of Local State of Emergency is imposed for sixty (60) days, subject to an extension authorized by the Village of Johnson Creek Village Board;

**BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED**, that the full allocation of Village resources be available to ensure the continuation of core Village services in the midst of the pandemic;

**BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED**, that in anticipation of federal relief and reimbursement becoming available, all Village departments shall track expenses related to efforts to protect the public and prevent the spread of COVID-19, and other public sector entities within the Village are encouraged to do the same; and

**BE IT FINALLY PROCLAIMED**, that the Village Board of the Village of Johnson Creek shall be notified of this declaration by the Johnson Creek Village Clerk, and the Village Clerk shall present an Emergency Resolution to the Village Board for ratification at its first meeting following such a declaration.

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020.

  
John L. Swisher, Village President