



RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY

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DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY/DISASTER

FOR THE RENO-SPARKS INDIAN COLONY:

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony ("Colony") empowers the Tribal Council to enact legislation for the purpose of safeguarding and promoting the peace, safety, and the general welfare of the members of the Colony, which provision by its necessary scope includes declaration of a state of emergency, and further that the Tribal Council may delegate certain powers and acts to the Chairman of the Tribal Council, such as declaration of a state of emergency/disaster and to thereafter seek ratification by the Tribal Council when timely action to declare a state of emergency/disaster cannot be taken by the Tribal Council when any man-made or natural event or circumstance is causing or threatening loss of life, injury to person or property, human suffering or financial loss to the extent that extraordinary measures must be taken to protect the public health, safety, and welfare; and,

WHEREAS, the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony's Tribal Council is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session; and,

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council Chairman has been requested by the RSIC Emergency Services Manager of said Colony to proclaim the existence of a local emergency/disaster therein; and,

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council Chairman does hereby find that an emergency/disaster exists in that man-made or natural events or circumstances including but not limited to flood, high winds, severe weather, disruption of utility services, and other potential and related events on or adjacent to Colony lands in Reno, Nevada and its community in Hungry Valley, commencing on or about the 5th day of January, 2017 at approximately 8:00 a.m./p.m. are causing or threatening loss of life, injury to person or property, human suffering or financial loss to the extent that extraordinary measures must be taken to protect the public health, safety, and welfare; and,

WHEREAS, these conditions of extreme peril warrant and necessitate the declaration of the existence of a local state of emergency/disaster,

NOW, FOR THE REASONS RECITED HEREIN, IT IS HEREBY DECLARED THAT A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY/DISASTER EXISTS IN THE AREAS of the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony lands in Reno, Nevada and in its Hungry Valley community.

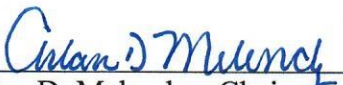
IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED, that during the existence of said local state of emergency/disaster, the powers, functions, and duties of the Tribal Council Chairman, Tribal Administrator, Emergency Services Manager, and the Emergency Services System of this Colony shall be those prescribed by the Colony's Constitution, Ordinances, Tribal Council Resolutions, job descriptions and emergency plans approved for the Colony.

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IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED, that said local emergency/disaster shall be deemed to continue to exist unless the Tribal Council, at its next lawful meeting, fails to ratify the declaration, or until the Tribal Council or Tribal Council Chairman determines the state of emergency no longer exists or the threat of an emergency has passed, and the Tribal Council or Tribal Council Chairman terminates the state of emergency/disaster.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that a copy of this declaration be forwarded to the Governor of the State of Nevada, the Nevada Director of the Division of Emergency Management, the Federal Emergency Management Agency and President of the United States of America, as appropriate and necessary, requesting that they declare that a state of emergency/disaster exists on the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony and its Hungry Valley community and that aid be provided to the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony as a result of said state of emergency/disaster.

DATED: January 5, 2017



Arlan D. Melendez, Chairman
Reno-Sparks Indian Colony