RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE MATTER OF PROCLAIMING THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY CAUSED BY THE ALISAL FIRE AND REQUESTING THE GOVENOR DECLARE A STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Government Code, Sections 8558 and 8630, *et seq.*, empower the Board of Supervisors to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when the County is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity; and

WHEREAS, Government Code, Sections 8558 and 8630, *et seq.*, and Chapter 12 of the Santa Barbara County Code empower the Director of Emergency Services to request the Board of Supervisors to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when the County is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity when the Board of Supervisors is in session; and

WHEREAS, conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property arose within this County, at approximately 1430 hours on October 11, 2021 due to a wildfire that has been named the Alisal Fire;

WHEREAS, on October 11, 2021, at 1430 hours, a wildfire that has been named the Alisal Fire began burning in central Santa Barbara County near the Alisal Reservoir burning 6,000 acres in less than a day with 0% containment and shutting down the 101 Freeway. Evacuation Orders have been issued for approximately 270 residents and an Evacuation Warning issued for 260 residents; and

WHEREAS, the Alisal Fire is threatening as many as 100 structures, including ranches, farms, homes, state campgrounds, railway services, and County critical infrastructure. Santa Barbara County Fire has requested assistance through the Federal Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) program. Extensive smoke and ash have created Hazardous air quality. Evacuation centers have been opened for citizens and for animals; and

WHEREAS, on October 12, 2021, the Board of Supervisors does hereby find that the Alisal Fire creates conditions of extreme peril and necessitate the proclamation of the existence of a local emergency and warrant a request to the Governor of California to proclaim a State of Emergency, covering the County of Santa Barbara.

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 8630(c) requires the Board of Supervisors to review the need for the continued existence of a Proclamation of Local Emergency at least every 60 days and Government Code Section 8630(d) requires termination of a Proclamation of Local Emergency at the earliest possible date that conditions warrant; and

Resolution Proclaiming Local Emergency Caused by the Alisal Fire

WHEREAS, the Alisal Fire creates conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property in Santa Barbara County persist, and warrant the Proclamation of Local Emergency Caused by the Alisal Fire.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that the conditions warranting a Proclamation of Local Emergency caused by the Alisal Fire exist; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that the Board of Supervisors requests the Governor of California proclaim the County of Santa Barbara to be in a State of Emergency; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that the Board of Supervisors will review the need for the continued existence of a Proclamation of Local Emergency at least every 60 days; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that the Local Emergency caused by the Alisal Fire will be terminated at the earliest possible date that conditions warrant.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California this 12th day of October, 2021 by the following vote:

AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	
	BOB NELSON, CHAIR
	BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
ATTEST:	APPROVED AS TO FORM:
MONA MIYASATO	RACHEL VAN MULLEM
CLERK OF THE BOARD	COUNTY COUNSEL
By	By Radial Van Mullem