RESOLUTION NUMBER TCR031920-01 of 01
OF THE
MASHANTUCKET PEQUOT TRIBAL COUNCIL
THE GOVERNING BODY
OF THE
MASHANTUCKET PEQUOT TRIBE

Declaration of State of Emergency

WHEREAS, the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe also known as the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation (the "Tribe") is a federally-recognized Indian Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Council (the "Council") is the Duly Authorized Governing Body of the Tribe pursuant to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Tribe, and is a Federally-recognized, Indian Tribal Government; and

WHEREAS, the Mission Statement of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation pursuant to TCR022499-01 states, "the ultimate goal is to protect and advance the Sovereign Rights of the Tribal Nation in order to build and preserve a cultural, social and economic foundation that can never be undermined or destroyed."; and

WHEREAS, the Mission Statement of the Tribal Council, as amended pursuant to TCR011410-03, is to preserve, protect and advance the Mission Statement of the Tribe for the benefit of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of the Council's objective of ensuring that families within the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Community will live happier, healthier, longer lives;

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization designated the outbreak of A novel coronavirus (COVID19) which was first detected in Wuhan City, China in December of 2019 whose symptoms include fever, cough and shortness of breath and outcomes have ranged from mild to severe illness, and in some cases death; and
WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Alex M. Azar, II declared a public health emergency for the United States to aid the nation’s healthcare community in responding to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a global pandemic as it continues to rapidly spread worldwide; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national emergency in response to the evolving public health crisis due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council recognizes an imminent threat of an outbreak of COVID-19 in the Mashantucket community; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety, and welfare of the residents, employees, and visitors in Mashantucket is of upmost importance to the Tribe and additional measures may be needed to protect the community; and

WHEREAS, in order to protect the health and safety of the community, the Tribal Council has authorized the closure of the Mashantucket Pequot Gaming Enterprise and other tribal enterprises; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe may require additional assistance in the future and a formal declaration of emergency allows additional resources to flow to the Tribe in a timely fashion; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe is facing a dangerous public health and financial crisis; and

WHEREAS, that due to the global and national outbreak of COVID-19 and the resulting threat to the Tribe’s public health and financial stability, a condition of extreme peril to life and properties exists throughout the Mashantucket community and thus necessitates the declaration of a State of Emergency.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Council hereby waives the 14-day advance submission requirement and the 30-day advance agenda approval mandate approved in TCR112101-02 of 03 to allow this issue to be addressed in a timely manner.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tribal Council finds that a State of Emergency now exists throughout said Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that during the existence of this State of Emergency the Tribal Council Chairman shall exercise those powers, functions, and duties prescribed by Tribal law, Tribal Council Resolutions, all applicable laws, ordinances, resolutions, special acts, and the MPTN Emergency Operations Plan in order to minimize the effects of said emergency.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, this State of Emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until it is terminated by the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Council.
Upon motion duly made and seconded, the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the following vote:

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CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, Rodney A. Butler, Chairman of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Council, do hereby certify that the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Council is composed of SEVEN (7) members of whom SEVEN (7) were present, thereby constituting a quorum, at a duly called Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Council Meeting held on the 19th day of March, 2020; and that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the affirmative vote of SEVEN (7) members.

Rodney A. Butler, Chairman
Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Council
Date: 3/19/2020

ATTEST:

Matthew A. Pearson, Secretary
Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Council
Date: 03/19/2020

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Marietta Anderson, Assoc. General Counsel
Office of Legal Counsel
Date: 3/19/2020