RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2020-697

MEETING: December 1, 2020

TO: The Board of Supervisors

FROM: Doug Binnewies, Sheriff-Coroner-Public Administrator

RE: Resolution Terminating the Local Emergency Due to Creek Fire in Mariposa County

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Adopt a Resolution Terminating The Local Emergency Due to Creek Fire Event in September, 2020 in Mariposa County.

On September 4, 2020, the Creek Fire ignited in the Shaver Lake area of Fresno County. To this date the has burned more that 379,895 acres motivating evacuations in Fresno and Madera Counties. Within Mariposa County are townships that were under a fire evacuation warning. The American Red Cross staffed a temporary evacuation point at the Mariposa County Fairgrounds. Mariposa County Sheriff's Office employees were deployed to and had been working in Madera County under a mutual aid request.

On September 15, 2020, Sheriff Doug Binnewies, the Director of Emergency Services issued a Proclamation declaring a local emergency.

The County of Mariposa deployed available resources in response to this event to ensure the health and safety of the public to the greatest degree possible.

The emergency conditions, and their effects, have now abated sufficiently to cause the situation resulting from said conditions of extreme peril to be deemed within the control of the normal protective services, personnel, equipment and facilities of and within the County of Mariposa. It is appropriate for the existing resolution for the Creek Fire event to be terminated.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
Do not approve this resolution. This local emergency will not be formally terminated.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
None

ATTACHMENTS:
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Resolution Terminating Local Emergency - Creek Fire  (DOCX)

RESULT:  ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Rosemarie Smallcombe, District 1 Supervisor
SECONDER: Miles Menetrey, District V Supervisor
AYES: Rosemarie Smallcombe, Marshall Long, Miles Menetrey
EXCUSED: Merlin Jones, Kevin Cann
MARIPOSA COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
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RESOLUTION TERMINATING THE LOCAL EMERGENCY DUE TO CREEK FIRE EVENT

WHEREAS, beginning on September 4, 2020, the Creek Fire ignited and to this date has burned more than 379,895 acres in Fresno and Madera Counties and continues to burn. Governor Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency in Fresno, Madera and Mariposa Counties. On September 15, 2020, Sheriff Doug Binnewies, the Director of Emergency Services issued a Proclamation declaring a local emergency. This historic and extremely dangerous fire event was the catalyst to a local Mariposa County Creek Fire event impacting Mariposa County; and

WHEREAS, the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors proclaimed a local emergency due to Creek Fire on September 15, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the County of Mariposa deployed available resources in response to this emergency to ensure the health and safety of the public to the greatest degree possible; and

WHEREAS, the County had sought financial assistance from the California Office of Emergency Services and the Governor of the State of California under the California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA) program, where applicable, to deal with conditions beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment and facilities of Mariposa County; this request was later rescinded; and

WHEREAS, emergency conditions, and their effects, have now abated sufficiently to cause the situation resulting from said conditions of extreme peril to be deemed to be within the control of the normal protective services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of and within said County of Mariposa; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors, State of California, does hereby terminate the said local emergency and any associated powers and authorities granted to staff and the Board of Supervisors. This Resolution takes effect upon approval.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mariposa, a political subdivision of the State of California, this 1 day of December 2020 by the following vote:

AYES: SMALLCOMBE, LONG, MENETREY
NOES: NONE
ABSENT: NONE
EXCUSED: JONES, CANN

[Signature]
MARSHALL LONG, Vice-Chair
Mariposa County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

[Signature]
RENE LaROCHE
Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

[Signature]
STEVEN W. DAHLEM
County Counsel