CITY OF BELLEVUE

PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Public Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar declared a public emergency for the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) beginning on January 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on February 29, 2020, Governor Jay Inslee signed a Proclamation declaring a State of Emergency exists in all counties in the State of Washington due to the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the state and directed that the plans and procedures of the Washington State Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan be implemented; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, King County Executive Dow Constantine signed a Proclamation of Emergency due to the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in King County thus enabling King County government to take extraordinary measures; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Manager of the Office of Emergency Management for the City of Bellevue has reported to the Mayor the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in King County is increasing daily; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bellevue believes that the increased number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 constitute a civil emergency as defined in Bellevue City Code 9.22.010 and necessitates the utilization of emergency powers granted under RCW 38.52.070; and

WHEREAS, in the judgment of the undersigned, extraordinary measures are required to protect the public health, safety and welfare of Bellevue’s residents and may go beyond the capability of local resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, the undersigned Mayor of the City of Bellevue, Washington does hereby declare a civil emergency exists within the City of Bellevue due to the outbreak of Coronavirus and authorizes the City Manager or his/her designee(s) to utilize the emergency powers granted under RCW 38.52.070 to preserve public health, safety, and order.

Dated this 23rd day of MARCH 2020.

[Signature]
Lynne Robinson
Mayor of the City of Bellevue