Town of Topsham, Maine

Proclamation

Proclamation of State of Civil Emergency to Further Protect Public Health

WHEREAS, the Federal Government has declared a National Emergency for the 2019 novel coronavirus COVID-19 on March 1, 2020.

WHEREAS, the State of Maine has declared a State of Civil Emergency for the 2019 novel coronavirus COVID-19 and signed a Proclamation of Civil Emergency (See Below) on March 15, 2020.

Proclamation of State of Civil Emergency to Further Protect Public Health WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a highly infectious agent that poses an imminent threat of substantial harm to our citizens; WHEREAS, to date the State has taken numerous actions to respond and protect against this threat; and WHEREAS, this Proclamation is necessary to authorize the use of emergency powers in order to expand and expedite that response; NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet T. Mills, Governor of the State of Maine, pursuant to Me. Const. Art. V, Pt. 1, § § 1 and 12, do hereby affirm and declare by this Proclamation that these conditions constitute a state of emergency within the meaning of 37-B MR.S. §703(2), §742(l)(A) and 37-B MR.S. Ch. 13, sub Ch. II and 22 MR.S. §801 (4-A) and §802(2-A). This Proclamation activates any and all authority delegated to me by any and all emergency management, public health and other pertinent laws to issue any and all oral and written directives that I, upon the advice of public health and other expert officials, reasonably deem necessary to respond to and protect against the spread and impacts of COVID-19 in Maine. This Proclamation also authorizes the Maine Department of Health and Human Services to exercise emergency powers pursuant to 22 MR.S. §820. Officials and other persons lawfully subject to any and all directives pursuant to this Proclamation shall faithfully and timely execute the same. This Proclamation shall, pursuant to 37-B MR.S. §743, expire thirty (30) days from the date of its signature unless earlier renewed or terminated by me, or terminated by legislative joint resolution.

WHEREAS, I, Derek Scrapchansky, Town Manager, proclaimed a State of Civil Emergency for the Town of Topsham on March 17th, 2020 with Board of Selectmen approval to continue to State of Civil Emergency for 30 days. This Proclamation expires on April 16th, 2020.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Derek Scrapchansky, with the approval and signatures from the Town of Topsham Board of Selectmen, renew the State of Civil Emergency for the Town of Topsham. This Proclamation shall, pursuant to 37-B MR.S. §743, and Topsham Town Code Chapter 14 will expire thirty (30) days from the date of its signature unless earlier renewed or terminated by me, Town Manager Derek Scrapchansky or the Board of Selectman.

Town Manager _____ Date 04/16/2020

Selectman Chair _____

Selectman V-Chair _____

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