

NOTICE OF STATUS OF LOCAL EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 8.27 provides that the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles may declare the existence of a local emergency during incidents that exceed or are likely to exceed normal services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the regularly constituted branches and departments of City government; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, I executed a “Declaration of Local Emergency” based on conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property that had arisen both internationally and within the United States, including throughout the City of Los Angeles, as a result of the introduction of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), a novel communicable disease, which was first detected in 2019; and

WHEREAS, local person-to-person transmission of COVID-19 occurred in the general public throughout the United States, including the City of Los Angeles, in such a magnitude that it became beyond the control of the normal services, personnel, equipment, facilities, and resources of the regularly constituted branches and departments of the City government; and

WHEREAS, the City’s “SAFER LA” Order was revised over the course of the continuing COVID-19 pandemic to adjust to the circumstances in neighborhoods and communities throughout the City of Los Angeles; and

WHEREAS, the City government has developed the infrastructure and capacity to manage the previous challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic in a way that they no longer rise to the level where they are beyond the control of the normal services, personnel, equipment and facilities of the regularly constituted branches and departments of the City government; and

WHEREAS, the circumstances and conditions that existed in 2020 and 2021 described in Section 8.22 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code that warranted the “Declaration of Local Emergency” of March 4, 2020 therefore have adjusted to a level currently manageable by the regularly constituted branches and departments of the City government; and

WHEREAS, Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 8.31 provides that the Mayor shall keep the City Council fully advised as to the status of the local emergency.

NOW THEREFORE, I hereby recommend that the City Council terminate the local emergency of March 4, 2020, **effective on FEBRUARY 1, 2023**.

I FURTHER DIRECT, that a copy of this Notice of Status of Local Emergency be forwarded to the President of the City Council; and hereby request, pursuant to Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 8.31, that the City Council declare and publicize the termination of Local Emergency at the earliest possible date; and

I FURTHER ADVISE, that pursuant to Los Angeles Administrative Code Section 8.31, upon the announcement by the City Council of the termination of the existence of the local emergency effective February 1, 2023, by operation of law, such rules, regulations, orders and directives shall terminate on February 1, 2023 and be of no further force or effect; and

I FURTHER DIRECT, that all City Departments that have functions related to the City of Los Angeles Renter Protections, including the Los Angeles Housing Department, continue to advise all property owners and tenants of the fact that tenants will have up to 12 months following the expiration of the local emergency to repay any back rent due. On March 30, 2020, the City Council extended the repayment period from 6 to 12 months.

**Dated at Los Angeles, California
December 6, 2022**

Signed



ERIC GARCETTI
Mayor

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By: *Rita J. Roth*