Lake Charles Harbor and Terminal District

Declaration of Extreme Emergency

An extreme emergency exists due to the impact of Hurricane Laura to the District and appropriate action must be taken by the Executive Director to address such emergency, as defined by applicable law, including, but not limited to, repairs and modification of District facilities and construction of new facilities to accommodate shippers and cargoes.

WHEREAS, Hurricane Laura struck Southwest Louisiana on Thursday, August 27, 2020, with devastating force and caused extensive, widespread damage to the area and specifically to the Port of Lake Charles; and

WHEREAS, by proclamation dated August 22, 2020, Governor John Bel Edwards has declared a state of emergency for the State of Louisiana due to the events surrounding Hurricane Laura; and

WHEREAS on August 28, 2020, President Donald Trump has approved a major disaster declaration for the State of Louisiana due to the events surrounding Hurricane Laura; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director, acting on behalf of the Board of Commissioners has determined that due to this extreme emergency, immediate measures must be undertaken to accommodate immediate repairs and that such efforts will require the suspension of normal public bid law procedures for construction of certain facilities and purchase of certain supplies and materials; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has authorized and directed the Executive Director to take all appropriate and lawful steps to address the needs of the District, its staff, its tenants, and other cargoes affected by the damage inflicted by Hurricane Laura.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS DECLARED AND CERTIFIED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE LAKE CHARLES HARBOR AND TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT:

SECTION 1: All of the foregoing introductory provisions are hereby made a part of this declaration and the undersigned, as Executive Director, on behalf of the Board of Commissioners of the Lake Charles Harbor & Terminal District hereby declares that an extreme emergency, as defined by applicable law, exists due to the events surrounding Hurricane Laura and, therefore, I, Richert L. Self, Executive Director, shall take all appropriate steps, including, but not limited to, the construction, repair, modification of properties and facilities without implementing normal public bid law procedures, and to further take all appropriate and lawful steps to accommodate shippers and cargoes impacted by Hurricane Laura. All action taken by the undersigned Executive Director pursuant to this declaration shall be done in full consultation with the Board of Commissioners and the Executive Director shall, to the maximum extent practicable, keep the Board of Commissioners fully and completely apprised of all actions and steps undertaken pursuant to this resolution.

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