

EMERGENCY DECLARATION

WHEREAS, a sudden, generally unexpected occurrence or set of circumstances demanding immediate public action has arisen within the City/Town of _____ which incident it generally describes as follows; and

WHEREAS, the Head of State upon advice of the Director of the City/Town's Office of Emergency Management has determined that the aforesaid incident poses a present and reasonable imminent danger to public health, safety or general welfare of the people or their property so that it has become necessary for the Director to utilize and coordinate the services, equipment, supplies and facilities of existing departments, offices and agencies of the City/Town for the purposes of civil defense/emergency management and emergency functions; and

WHEREAS, the Head of State has determined that the immediate public action is needed to prevent, minimize, or mitigate damage to the public health, safety or general welfare of the people of _____ or their property which may otherwise result from the above described incident and that taking the time required to comply with the various state and local procurement laws would endanger the health or safety of the people or their property; and

WHEREAS, the Head of State has recommended that state of emergency be declared in the City/Town of _____; and

WHEREAS, the people of the City/Town of _____ should be able to depend upon guidance from their chief executive officer, _____

NOW THEREFORE, I, _____ Mayor/Board of Selectmen Chair of the City/Town of _____, Massachusetts, hereby declare that as of _____ on _____, 20_____ a state of emergency exists in the City/Town of _____. This declaration of emergency shall remain in effect until further notice is given, pursuant to my judgment, that the state of emergency no longer exists.

Date: _____

(Title) of (City/Town)