EMERGENCY DECLARATION

WHEREAS, a sudden, generally unexpected occurrence or set of circumstances demanding immediate public action has arisen within the Town of Southwick, which incident is generally described as follows:

Covid-19 pandemic

WHEREAS, the Director of the 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 of Southwick or their property so that it has become necessary for the Director to utilize and coordinate the service, equipment, supplies and facilities of existing departments, offices and agencies of the Town for the purposes of civil defense/emergency management and emergency functions; and

WHEREAS, the Director has recommended that limited state of emergency be declared in the Town of Southwick; and

WHEREAS, the people of the Town of Southwick should be able to depend upon guidance from their Chief Executive Officer;

NOW THEREFORE, Russell S. Fox, Chairman Board of Selectmen of the Town of Southwick, Massachusetts, hereby declare that as of 3/19/20 a limited state of emergency exists in the Town of Southwick. This declaration of emergency shall remain in effect until notice is given, pursuant to my judgment, that limited state of emergency no longer exists.

Date: 3/19/20

Russell S. Fox
Chairman, Board of Selectmen of Southwick