RESOLUTION NO. 179-2020

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WENDELL, IDAHO, AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS PURSUANT TO IDAHO CODE SECTION 67-2808, EMERGENCY EXPENDITURES AND SOLE SOURCE EXPENDITURES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the health and safety of all citizens of the State of Idaho ("State") and the City of Wendell ("City") is of the upmost importance; and

WHEREAS, Governor Brad Little issued a proactive emergency declaration on March 13, 2020, to aid in the coronavirus response effort to further prevent the coronavirus spread in the State; and

WHEREAS, the City issued a Declaration of Local Disaster Emergency on April 2, 2020, and filed it with the Gooding County Recorder's Office on April 6, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the City's Declaration of Local Distaste Emergency states, the public interest and necessity may demand the immediate expenditure of public money to secure materials, equipment, and services from private and public entities to provide disaster emergency relief and assistance to persons threatened, injured, or victimized by the unhealthy, unsafe, and unsustainable conditions of COVID-19

WHEREAS, Idaho Code Section 67-2808(1)(a) authorizes the City Council to declare that an emergency exists and that the public interest and necessity demand the immediate expenditure of public money if: (i) there is a great public calamity, such as an extraordinary fire, flood, storm, epidemic, or other disaster; and

WHEREAS, Idaho Code Section 67-2808(1)(b) authorizes the City Council upon making the declaration of emergency, any sum required in the emergency may be expended without compliance with formal bidding procedures; and

WHEREAS, a grant portal opened for application submissions for the Public Broadband Grant ("Grant") on June 23, 2020 12:00 p.m., serving communities of less than 3.000 persons, which meets the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security ("CARES") Act criteria, and other eligibility criteria; and

WHEREAS, the City met all the criteria of the Grant; and

WHEREAS, the City had a short timeframe to apply for the Grant, which was originally July 8, 2020, and extended to July 15, 2020, at 5:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, the City applied for the Grant on July 14, 2020;

WHEREAS, the City finds the Grant to be in the best interest, benefit, health and welfare of its citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WENDELL, IDAHO:

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