

TOWN OF LOOMIS

RESOLUTION NO. 20 - __

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOOMIS
REQUESTING SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM
FOR THE RE-OPENING OF LOOMIS BUSINESSES**

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020 Governor Gavin Newsom issued Executive Order N-33-20 (Governor's Order) which mandated a shelter in place throughout the State of California in order "To preserve the public health and safety, and to ensure the healthcare delivery system is capable of serving all, and prioritizing those at the highest risk and vulnerability"; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020 the Placer County Health Officer also issued a stay at home order to "to slow the spread of this disease and prevent severe loss of life," which order was extended through the end of April and expired on May 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's Order remains applicable to the County of Placer; and

Whereas, as of May 6, 2020, Placer County had 163 positive cases of COVID-19 (or .004 of 1% of the County's nearly 400,000 population); and

WHEREAS, as of May 6, 2020, Placer County hospitals were treating fewer than 11 patients for COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Loomis recognizes the importance of implementing reasonable safety precautions to protect the residents of our community and other communities from COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Loomis has implemented the required measures throughout our community to protect our residents, including closing public facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Loomis has advocated for a cooperative and cohesive approach for guidance and direction on appropriate safety precautions for businesses to implement upon re-opening to the State of California, Placer County and the other cities of the County; and

WHEREAS, The Town Council values the health and safety of its residents as well as the economic welfare of our community; and

WHEREAS, the Town is projecting a significant decrease in sales tax revenue for the current and upcoming fiscal years, which negatively impacts the Town's ability to provide public services for our residents; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council considers all businesses to be essential as each business creates jobs for our residents to earn a paycheck and to be able to provide for the health and welfare of themselves and their families; and

WHEREAS, Loomis businesses are ready and able to implement a reopening plan vetted by the Town Staff and by the Placer County Health Officer, that maintains proper physical distancing protocols and sanitation practices; and

WHEREAS, Loomis businesses considered “non-essential” by the Governor’s Order are not allowed to open are suffering potentially irreparable harm that may force them into bankruptcy; and

WHEREAS, a “one size fits all” approach to re-opening businesses is not in the best interest of the Town, its businesses and its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, based upon the COVID-19 case history within the County of Placer, the Town Council of the Town of Loomis does hereby respectfully request the support of Governor Gavin Newsom for the re-opening of Loomis businesses, while the Town works in conjunction with Placer County Supervisors, the Public Health Office, and neighboring Placer County cities, to implement its own measures to immediately begin the re-opening of all businesses in the Town of Loomis.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Loomis this 12th day of May, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAINED:

ABSENT:

Mayor

ATTEST:

Town Clerk