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## **ELEVENTH SUPPLEMENTARY EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, Chapter 127A Hawai'i Revised Statutes, provides for the establishment of emergency management and disaster relief, including the Mayor having direct responsibility and authority over emergency management within the County; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 127A Hawai'i Revised Statutes and Chapter 7, Articles 1 and 2 of the Hawai'i County Code, establishes a Civil Defense Agency within the County of Hawai'i and prescribes its powers, duties, and responsibilities, and Section 13-23 of the Hawai'i County Charter empowers the Mayor of the County to declare emergencies; and

WHEREAS, on February 28, 2020, the Mayor of the County of Hawai'i issued an Emergency Proclamation declaring a state of emergency due to the outbreak of COVID-19 being recognized as a public health emergency of international concern and a public health emergency for the United States; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor of the State of Hawai'i issued a Proclamation declaring a state of emergency based upon the actions and directives of the President of the United States, the World Health Organization, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and current conditions warranting preemptive and protective actions related to the outbreak of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Hawai'i has issued twenty-four Emergency Proclamations related to the COVID-19 Emergency as of October 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, since February 28, 2020, the Mayor of the County of Hawai'i has issued ten Emergency Proclamations, eighteen Emergency Rules, eight Amendments and three extensions to those Rules related to COVID-19 as of October 1, 2021; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 continues to endanger the health, safety, and welfare of the people of the County of Hawai'i and a response requires the serious attention, effort and sacrifice of all people in the County of Hawai'i to avert unmanageable strains on our healthcare system and other catastrophic impacts to the County of Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS, since, there has been an alarming increase in the spread of COVID-19 which is primarily related to the DELTA variant of COVID-19. The dramatic increase in community spread of COVID-19 has resulted in increased hospitalization and strained

health care resources, including utilization of all ICU hospital beds on island. Without immediate action, the County of Hawai'i is unable to meet urgent health care needs of our island community. As a result, it has become necessary to re-implement more stringent restrictions in order to reduce the threat of spread and enable our health care resources to meet urgent health care needs attributable to the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, due to the possibility of imminent emergency or disaster due to bodily injury to residents of the County of Hawai'i, and the need for government agencies and representatives from the private sector to mobilize and provide financial and other immediate services to our island residents, a state of emergency is authorized pursuant to Chapter 127A Hawai'i Revised Statutes, and Chapter 7, Hawai'i County Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MITCHELL D. ROTH, Mayor of the County of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim and declare that a state of emergency continues to exists due to the imminent danger or threat of emergency on Hawai'i Island from the COVID-19 pandemic.

This Eleventh Supplementary Emergency Proclamation shall be effective October 4, 2021, continuing thereon until December 3, 2021, unless terminated or superseded by a separate proclamation, whichever shall occur first.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the County of Hawai'i to be affixed. Done this 30<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2021 in Hilo, Hawai'i.

Mitchell D. Roth

Mayor

County of Hawai'i

CONCURRENCE:

Governor David V. Ige