

PROCLAMATION OF EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY FOR LOS PALOS INCIDENT (BOYLE HEIGHTS COMMERCIAL BUILDING FIRE) BY THE CHAIR OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

WHEREAS, Chapter 2.68 of the Los Angeles County Code provides that the Chair of the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors (Chair) may proclaim the existence of a local emergency when the Board of Supervisors (Board) is not in session pursuant to Government Code sections 8630 and 8558(c); and

WHEREAS, a "local emergency," is defined in Government Code section 8558(c)(1), in pertinent part, as follows: "[l]ocal emergency' means the duly proclaimed existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the territorial limits of a county . . . caused by conditions such as air pollution, fire, flood, storm, epidemic, riot, drought, cyberterrorism, sudden and severe energy shortage, deenergization event . . . plant or animal infestation or disease . . . or an earthquake, or other conditions . . . which are or are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of that political subdivision and require the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat . . ."; and

WHEREAS, on June 17, 2026, the Los Palos Incident, a fire at a Boyle Heights commercial refrigeration building located at 1400 S. Los Palos St. broke out at 2:35 PM impacting a cold storage facility operated by Lineage Logistics. Fire began impacting the facility that involved complex refrigeration systems, rooftop solar panel infrastructure and other industrial equipment that created a complex and hazardous firefighting operation including impacting refrigeration systems that began off-gassing ammonia, and prompted the City of Los Angeles Fire Department to order people nearby to shelter in place for several hours, due to a risk of exposure to hazardous materials. Additionally, smoke advisories have been issued for unincorporated East Los Angeles, the City of Commerce, the City of Vernon, City of Monterey Park, City of Montebello and parts of downtown Los Angeles. Subsequently, a South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) Air Quality Advisory was issued across Los Angeles County.

WHEREAS, local agencies have responded to this emergency to mitigate the incident, investigate its causes and assess the damage and ongoing impacts to human health, air quality, water quality, wildlife, business, and transportation; thereby demonstrating the need for combined forces and resources beyond the immediate County; and

WHEREAS, response efforts to the fire and post fire hazards are ongoing and likely to continue for a significant time, the fire continues to generate a substantial smoke plume that covers large areas of Los Angeles County and the incident is impacting public access to businesses, residences, and recreational facilities along the impacted area due to smoke and firefighting and response activities; and

WHEREAS, these conditions require the use of emergency protective measures and warrant and necessitate that the County proclaim the existence of a local emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Chair finds that as a result of the conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property exist in the County, within the meaning of Government Code section 8558(c)(1), and such conditions are or will likely be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the County, and require the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat; and

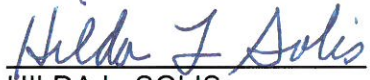
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND PROCLAIMED by the Chair that a local emergency exists for the Los Palos Incident in the County, and the local emergency shall not remain in effect for a period in excess of seven days unless it has been ratified by the Board; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND PROCLAIMED that, during the existence of said local emergency, the powers, functions, and duties of the emergency organization of the County shall be those prescribed by State law, by ordinances, and resolutions of the County.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND PROCLAIMED that, a copy of the Proclamation of Local Emergency be forwarded to the Director of California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Director), and request the Director to find it acceptable in accordance with State law, make available recovery assistance under the

California Disaster Assistance Act, and expedite access to State and federal resources and any other appropriate federal disaster relief programs.

Date: June 20, 2026

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Hilda L. Solis". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

HILDA L. SOLIS

Chair, County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors