TOWN OF CIRCLE LOCAL EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION #1-2020 DECLARING A LOCAL EMERGENCY TO EXIST RELATED TO THE COMMUNICABLE DISEASE COVID-19 NOVEL CORONAVIRUS

WHEREAS, a local emergency proclamation may be issued by the Mayor as the principal executive officer of the Town whenever the Mayor determines there is an emergency pursuant to Section 10-3-402, Montana Code Annotated;

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death, and the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services recognizes the disease as a serious public health threat;

WHEREAS, the State of Montana is experiencing an outbreak of confirmed cases of COVID-19, which prompted the State to declare a state of emergency on March 12, 2020;

WHEREAS, the Town of Circle and McCone County intend to implement proactive measures to mitigate the risk of the spread of the COVID-19 virus. This state of emergency will be terminated only when the COVID-19 pandemic is brought under control;

WHEREAS, the area threatened by a potential COVID-19 outbreak includes the Town of Circle;

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Town of Circle to participate in a coordinated public health response with McCone County and the State of Montana, and to receive and expend funds to meet contingencies and needs arising during the emergency;

NOW, THEREFORE, Kenneth Ehli, the duly elected and constituted Mayor of the Town of Circle, pursuant to the authority vested in me under the Constitution and Laws of the State of Montana, hereby declares that an emergency exists within the Town of Circle, in McCone County, Montana, as defined in Sections 10-3-103 and 10-3-402, M.C.A.

This Proclamation is immediately effective and shall be promptly filed and disseminated as provided by Section 10-3-404, M.C.A.

DATED this 1944 day of March, 2020.

Kenneth Ehli, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kelly Doan, Clerk/Treasurer