EMERGENCY DECLARATION

WHEREAS, a sudden, generally unexpected occurrence of circumstances demanding public action has arisen within the Town of Medfield; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Medfield, Massachusetts, upon advice from the Director of Emergency Management, have determined that COVID-19 poses a present, reasonable and imminent danger to public health, safety, or general welfare of the people of Medfield or their property so that it has become necessary for the Director to utilize and coordinate the services, equipment, supplies, and facilities of existing departments, offices, and agencies or the community for the purposes of emergency management and emergency functions; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts has determined that the immediate public action is needed to prevent, minimize, or mitigate damage to public health, safety, or general welfare of the people of Medfield or the property which may otherwise result from COVID-19 and that taking the time required to comply with the various state and local procurement laws would endanger the health or safety of the people or their property; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts has declared that a State of Emergency be declared in the Commonwealth, and

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Selectmen of the community of Medfield, Massachusetts, hereby declares that as of 7:00 p.m., March 17, 2020 a State of Emergency exists in the community of Medfield. This Declaration of Emergency shall remain in effect until notice is given, pursuant to the recommendations of the Director of Emergency Management and the judgment of the Board of Selectmen that the State of Emergency no longer exists.

Date: March 17, 2020

Gustave H. Murby, Chairman,
Board of Selectmen, Town of Medfield