

**RESOLUTION 20-03**  
**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE**  
**MORONGO BASIN HEALTHCARE DISTRICT**

**FEEDING THE MORONGO BASIN PROJECT**

**WHEREAS**, the Morongo Basin Healthcare District (“District”) is a healthcare district duly formed and operating under the Local Health Care District Law set forth in Health & Safety Code section 32000 et. seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (“FEMA”) has confirmed that there may be areas where it will be necessary as an emergency protective measure to provide food to meet the immediate needs of those who do not have access to food as a result of COVID-19 and to protect the public from the spread of the virus; and

**WHEREAS**, the population at high-risk for severe illness from COVID-19 includes people 65 years and older and people of any age who have serious underlying conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, the health needs in the District are significant and are connected to the age of the population and the high rates of poverty in the region; and

**WHEREAS**, many District residents lack access to healthy food options, with some isolated residents relying on food delivery systems; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board believes it is necessary as an emergency protective measure to provide food to meet the immediate needs of those District residents who are particularly susceptible to the COVID-19 virus, isolated and/or impoverished and do not have access to food as a result of COVID-19;

**WHEREAS**, the Board believes it is necessary to commit or expend non-budgeted funds to conduct and fund a food distribution in the Morongo Basin to help feed such residents and protect the communities served by the District; and

**WHEREAS**, the District’s ability to mobilize local resources, deliver food and supplies, use mutual aid, and seek future reimbursement by state and federal governments will be critical to successfully responding to COVID-19; and

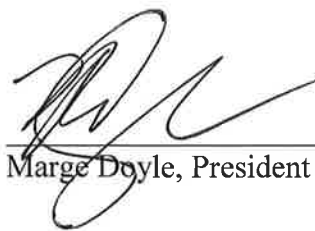
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Morongo Basin Healthcare District as follows:


1. The District’s Chief Executive Officer, Jackie Combs, or her designee (the “Authorized Officer”) may commit or expend up to Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) of the District’s non-budgeted funds over the next three (3) months to conduct and fund a food drive in the Morongo Basin to be called the “Feeding the Morongo Basin Project.”

2. The District's Authorized Officer shall take all reasonable steps to recover such costs from aid or reimbursement available from all sources, including county, state and federal agencies (including FEMA).
3. The District shall track costs for food, supplies, staffing and equipment related to the Feeding the Morongo Basin Project and forward that information to the District's Authorized Officer.
4. Actions taken by the District's Authorized Officer prior to the effective date of this Resolution in response to threats posed by COVID-19 are hereby ratified.
5. The recitals set forth above are incorporated herein and made an operative part of this Resolution.
6. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

**CERTIFICATION:** This Resolution was passed and adopted at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Hi-Desert Memorial Health Care District on the fourth day of June, 2020 by the following roll call vote:

Director Armstrong:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent
Director Doyle:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Director Evans:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Director Greenhouse:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Director Sullivan:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent

  
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 Marge Doyle, President

  
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 Mitsy Evans, Secretary