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RESOLUTION NO. 2020-8

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING STUDYING AND PLANNING
FOR A WATER BILL ABATEMENT PROGRAM DUE TO THE
CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK ON BEHALF OF THE
GOVERNING BODY OF THE TOWN OF MILLS**

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump, proclaimed a National Emergency Concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID 19) Outbreak; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the Governor of the State of Wyoming, Mark Gordon, declared a state of emergency to exist in Wyoming due to the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID 19) Outbreak; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Health Officer for the State of Wyoming has ordered the health officer for the counties of Wyoming to impose restrictions upon the operations of businesses and livelihoods in the hopes of slowing the outbreak of COVID 19 in Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Town of Mills recognizes that the residents of the Town of Mills will be and are being impacted due to restrictions and requests being placed upon them in this time of emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Town of Mills regards the supply of water to the residents of Mills to be a critical matter of health and safety for the residents of the Town; and

WHEREAS, Municipalities generally have it under their authority to take such actions as are appropriate, within the limits of their authority, to seek to protect the health, safety and welfare of their citizens with such provisions set out in WS 15-1-101 et seq. the Governing Body of the Town of Mills desires to seek to abate water charges for qualifying residents of the Town of Mill and Businesses for up to two (2) months; and


WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Town of Mills recognizes the need to assist residents who have been laid-off and businesses who have laid-off employees, closed their doors or been forced to scale back their business services due to the Coronavirus and believes this project will address those needs; and

WHEREAS, the public benefits of this project will be to aid qualified residents and businesses to use their monetary funds on alternate items as opposed to their water bill and will further operates to preserve the Town's funds in this time of emergency and further assist in keeping the existing emergency from compounding within the Town of Mills; and

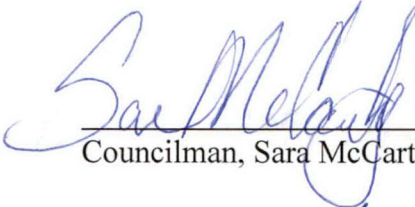
WHEREAS, the specific goals and measures of success of this project would offer qualified residents additional funding for required home items and allow qualified businesses some relief in their expenses due to required scale-backs and closures required by the state department of health; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE TOWN OF MILLS, that the Mayor be authorized and directed to study providing Water Bill Abatement for an approximately two-month period and that he use such personnel employed by or for the town so as to be able to accomplish studying the same.

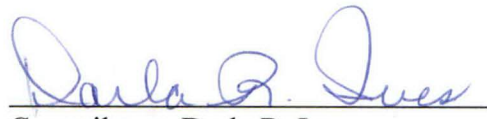
PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 24TH day of March, 2020.



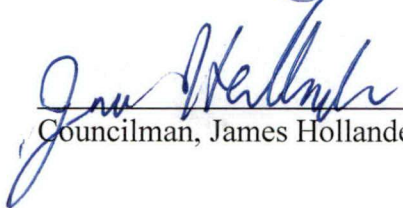
Mayor, Seth Coleman




Councilman, Sara McCarthy



Councilman, Darla R. Ives



Councilman, James Hollander



Councilman, Ronald Wales

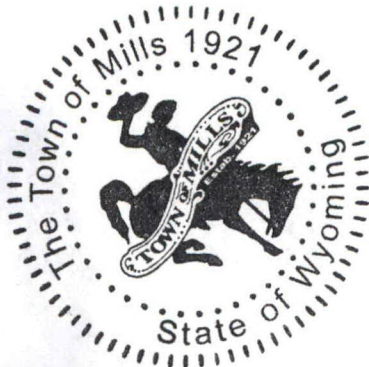
ATTEST:



Town Clerk, Christine Trumbull

CERTIFICATE

I, Christine Trumbull, Town Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Town of Mills at a public meeting held on March 24, 2020, and that the meeting was held accordingly to law; and that said Resolution has been duly entered in the record of the Town of Mills.





Town Clerk, Christine Trumbull