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COVID-19 Eviction Moratorium by California Executive Order

To whom it may concern,

The Governor of the State of California has issued a series of Executive Orders that effectively suspended state statutes on evictions for non-payment of rent by tenants affected by COVID-19. This action authorizes local governments to uphold a temporary moratorium(s) on evictions for non-payment of rent for tenants experiencing the economic impacts and public health threats of COVID-19. The City of Seaside has adopted emergency orders suspending evictions at this time. <https://bit.ly/SeasideEvictionMoratorium>

The Governor's Order halts evictions through May 31, 2020, unless otherwise extended, allowing individuals affected by COVID-19 to remain in their homes, thereby providing housing security and stability. The Order requires tenants to notify property owners in writing of lost income and their inability to pay the full rent because of financial impacts related to COVID-19. It also requires tenants to provide documentation to support the claim, however, does not relieve tenants from their obligation to pay rent, or restrict landlord's ability to recover unpaid rents.

Please refer to the attached Executive Order N-28-20 and N-37-20 for further details.

Any questions about the ordinance, or reports of violations can be directed to the City Attorney's office at 831.899.6890.

Alfred Soto
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Attached:

- California Executive Order N-28-20: <https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.16.20-Executive-Order.pdf>
- California Executive Order N-37-20: <https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.27.20-EO-N-37-20.pdf>

TENANT NOTIFICATION TO LANDLORD OF INABILITY TO PAY FULL RENT DUE TO COVID-19 EMERGENCY

Date: _____

RE: Property Address: _____

Dear _____,

On March 18, 2020, the County of Monterey declared a local emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the City of Seaside adopted Ordinance No. 1079 which provides eviction protections to tenants who cannot pay rent due to circumstances related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

I am writing to provide notice that I am unable to pay full rent for the month (s) of _____ because I have been affected by COVID-19 pandemic.

I have been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic in the following ways (check one or more of the following):

I have suffered a loss of income because I have had to pay health-care expenses related to treating a COVID-19 illness.

I have suffered a loss of income because of a COVID-19 related workplace closure.

I have suffered a loss of income because school closures have increased my child-care expenses and/or I cannot go to work due to the school closures.

I have suffered a loss of income because of a government ordered COVID-19 measure.

Other: _____

I understand that rent is deferred and I must **repay any past due rent within 6 months after the local emergency expires**, unless I voluntarily commence repayment earlier. The repayment period may be extended by mutual agreement by the landlord and tenant. The landlord may voluntarily extend a rent discount to the tenant during the emergency.

Sincerely,

TENANT(S) NAME: _____

TENANT(S) SIGNATURE(S):