IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT WITHIN AND FOR UINTA COUNTY, WYOMING

| MATTHEW C. REX, |) | |
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| Plaintiff, |) | |
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| VS |) | |
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| MICHELLE S. REX, |) | |
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| Defendant. |) | |

COVID-19 ORDER VACATING BENCH TRIAL

THIS MATTER comes before the Court on the Court's own motion. This matter is set for bench trial on March 20, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. That setting was entered on February 25, 2020.

The Court being aware that every matter before the Court is of paramount importance to the litigant with the need and desire for hearing and resolution of the matter as soon as possible. The President of the United States and the Governor of Wyoming declared a national and statewide emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Because of those emergency declarations and the consequences of the pandemic this Court has an obligation not only to the litigants but to their witnesses, any attorneys who may be involved in the matter, Courthouse staff, and the family and people each of these numerous individuals come in contact with. When balancing the importance of this matter with the declared emergencies due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this Court has elected to limit non-essential operations, delay certain matters, and in certain instances suspend operations all together.

The Court recognizes that the litigants in this matter consider or are likely to consider this hearing to be critical and essential. When considering and balancing the due administration of justice with the need and obligation to protect public health, the Court finds this scheduled hearing

is not a critical or essential hearing that rises to the level that the administration of justice outweighs the required need to protect public health.

IT IS HERBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that the bench trial set in this matter for March 20, 2020 to begin at 1:30 p.m. is hereby vacated until further order of the Court. DONE IN CHAMBERS this _____ day of March, 2020. JOSEPH B. BLUEMEL District Court Judge **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** _____, Deputy Clerk of Court, Uinta County, Wyoming, hereby certify that I served true and correct copies of the foregoing on the day of March, 2020 to the following: Matthew C. Rex John A. Thomas 202 Woodridge Lane Attorney at Law Evanston, WY 82930 724 Front Street, Suite 600 Evanston, WY 82930

Deputy Clerk of Court