Sample Resolution:
Declaration of a Shelter Crisis

RESOLUTION NO. ____________

RESOLUTION OF [insert name of local governing body, e.g. City Council or County Board of Supervisors] OF THE [insert name of jurisdiction, e.g. City or County here] ________________,
STATE OF CALIFORNIA declaring a shelter crisis pursuant to SB 850 (Chapter 48, Statutes of 2018 and Government Code § 8698.2).

The ____________ [insert name of local governing body, e.g. City Council or County Board of Supervisors] Finds:

WHEREAS, California’s Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr. and the members of the California Legislature have recognized the urgent and immediate need for funding at the local level to combat homelessness;

WHEREAS, The Governor and Legislature have provided funding to local governments under the Homeless Emergency Aid Program as part of SB 850 and the 2018-19 Budget Act (Chapter 48, Statutes of 2018);

WHEREAS, The Governor and Legislature require jurisdictions seeking an allocation through the Homeless Emergency Aid Program to declare a Shelter Crisis pursuant to Government Code §8698.2;

WHEREAS, [insert name of city or county here] has developed a homelessness plan and undertaken multiple efforts at the local level to combat homelessness;

WHEREAS, [insert name of city or county here] finds that [Insert the 2017 Point in Time Count for the jurisdiction] persons within the [insert name of city or county here] are homeless and living without shelter;

WHEREAS, [insert name of city or county here] finds that the number of homeless is significant, and these persons are without the ability to obtain shelter;

WHEREAS, [insert name of city or county here] finds that the health and safety of unsheltered persons in the [insert City or County] is threatened by a lack of shelter;
WHEREAS, [insert name of city or county here] affirms the [insert: City’s or County’s] _________ commitment to combatting homelessness and creating or augmenting a continuum of shelter and service options for those living without shelter in our communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE [insert name of city council or county board of supervisors here] ________________, CALIFORNIA, that a shelter crisis pursuant to Government Code §8698.2 exists in [insert name of city or county here] ________________, and authorizes the [insert: City’s or County’s] ___ participation in the Homeless Emergency Aid Program.

Required: This is a specific term used in the code. Other terms such as shelter emergency, or homeless crisis are not sufficient.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the [insert governing body here] _____________ of the [insert name of city or county here] ________________, State of California at the meeting of the said [insert Board or City Council] held on the ___ day of _____________ by the following vote:

AYES: [insert name of local governing body]: ________________
NOES: [insert name of local governing body]: ________________
ABSTAIN: [insert name of local governing body]: ________________
ABSENT: [insert name of local governing body]: ________________

By: ________________________________
______________________________, CHAIR PERSON
______________________________ [insert name of local governing body]

ATTEST:
By: ________________________________
Date: ________________________________

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:
By: ________________________________
Date: ________________________________