

At a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Gladwin, Michigan, held on March 23, 2021.

PRESENT: All Commissioners

ABSENT: None

The following resolution was offered by Karen Moore and seconded by Ron Taylor:

**COUNTY OF GLADWIN  
RESOLUTION TO DECLARE A LOCAL "STATE OF EMERGENCY"**

**WHEREAS**, as of Tuesday, March 23, 2021, the County of Gladwin continues to face the ongoing threat of the global COVID-19 pandemic and related impacts. As a result of this situation, the following conditions exist: gathering restrictions and mask requirements in public places in accordance with Michigan Department of Health & Human Services Epidemic Order under MCL 333.2253, and significant changes to public health, healthcare, public safety, and government operations; and,

**WHEREAS**, the community spread of COVID-19 has not been eliminated and remains a concern, therefore, the need to balance virus mitigation against the need for continuing county services remains exigent;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Gladwin County Board of Commissioners ("Board"), in accordance with Section 10 of 1976 PA 390, as amended, hereby declares that a "state of emergency" exists within our jurisdiction, that the response and recovery elements of our emergency operations plan have been activated, and that local resources are being utilized to the fullest extent possible.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board authorizes the Board Chair, Public Health Director and Gladwin County Interim Administrator, to impose, modify, or authorize exceptions to, any existing County policy or established practice as necessary to respond to the COVID-19 virus, including but not limited to strategies to reduce transmission among staff, protect people at higher risk for adverse health complications, and to balance the maintenance of essential and necessary governmental operations and services while minimizing the spread of the virus and the negative impacts to county residents. These powers include, but are not limited to, restricting access to facilities, holding meetings in a virtual format, reassigning employment duties, acquiring new software, authorizing County fees to the public, as well as making necessary emergency expenditures to acquire necessary facilities or supplies. The Interim Administrator must document and report all such measures taken to the Board, which retains control to reverse or modify any such measures.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that due to the prolonged nature of pandemic public-health incidents, this state of emergency shall remain in effect until May 4, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. or until

such time as the Board acts to cease or extend the state of emergency, whichever shall first occur.

ADOPTED:

Yeas: Taylor, Diller, Moore & R. Grove

Nays: K. Grove

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COUNTY OF GLADWIN)

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting County Clerk of the County of Gladwin, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by a majority vote of the members elect at a regular meeting of the Gladwin County Board of Commissioners, held on March 23, 2021, the original of which is on file in my office.

Karrie Hulme

Karrie Hulme, County Clerk