

**Disaster Emergency Declaration
2020-04**

Delaware County, Indiana

- WHEREAS,** the President of the United States, on March 13, 2020, has declared a nationwide emergency concerning the spread of COVID-19 viral infections, and
- WHEREAS,** the Governor of the State of Indiana, on March 16, 2020, has made an emergency declaration in response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) disease epidemic; and
- WHEREAS,** the County Health Officer has determined that certain measures should be put into place to lessen the potential spread of the COVID-19 virus including the closing of some local businesses; and
- WHEREAS,** pursuant to I. C. 10-14-3-29(a) the Board of Commissioners of Delaware County, IN hereby makes a local disaster emergency declaration; and
- WHEREAS,** the Governor of the State of Indiana has adopted Executive Order 20-08 with regard to “Stay At Home” for certain individuals and industries, and
- WHEREAS,** the Board of Commissioners of Delaware County, Indiana have determined that in response to the emergency believes that the Governor’s order should be made a part of the County’s Emergency Declaration for consistency and continuity and that the Emergency Declaration of March 23, 2020 should be extended.

**NOW THEREFORE WE, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF DELAWARE COUNTY,
INDIANA HEREBY DECLARE THAT:**

1. A local disaster emergency exists in the County and that we hereby invoke and declare those portions of the Indiana Code which are applicable to the conditions and have caused the issuance of this proclamation, to be in full force and effect in the entire County, including incorporated areas for the exercise of all necessary emergency authority for protection of the lives and property of the people of this County and the restoration of local government with a minimum of interruption. **This Emergency Order is effective immediately and shall be in place until the end of business April 3, 2020.**
2. The Board of Commissioners adopt in total the language and verbiage from the Governor of the State of Indiana’s Executive Order 20-08 as to the conduct and operations of individuals, businesses and entities identifying essential services and functions set forth in the Executive Order.

3. The Governor's Executive Order 20-08 is incorporated by reference and made a part of this Emergency Declaration.
4. This Emergency Declaration shall supersede and replace all prior Emergency Declarations made the Board of Commissioners prior to this Emergency Order.
5. The Commissioners also shall continue the provisions of Resolution 2020-08 concerning the payment of claims and payment for county employees.
6. This Emergency Order shall remain valid for a period of seven (7) days from the date that this Emergency order was adopted by the Board of Commissioners.

In witness, whereof, we have hereunto set our hand this 27th day of March, 2020 at _____ o'clock ____m.

Delaware County Board of Commissioners



Shannon Henry, President



James King, Vice President



Sherry Riggin, Member