

**Disaster Emergency Declaration  
2020-06**

**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 20-18 which renewed the Executive Order to “Stay At Home” for certain individuals and industries until April 20, 2020, 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 April 3, 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 17, 2020.**

2. The Board of Commissioners adopt in total the language and verbiage from the Governor of the State of Indiana's Executive Order 20-18 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 20-18 is incorporated by reference and made a part of this Emergency Declaration.
4. The County Commissioners declare that all individuals in the County should postpone making in-person purchases of goods and services unless and until such items are needed for sustenance, health, education, or employment;
5. All individuals in the County should use online or call-in ordering of goods and services with either delivery or curbside pickup to the greatest extent practicable;
6. In instances where an individual must visit a retail business, an individual should limit the number and frequency of retail businesses visited to purchase goods and services; and
7. All individuals in the County should limit the number of household members who travel to and enter stores for the purpose of making necessary purchases to the minimum necessary.
8. This Emergency Declaration shall supersede and replace all prior Emergency Declarations made the by Board of Commissioners prior to this Emergency Order.
9. The Commissioners determine that all government operations are essential as the government operations from March 23 2020 to the present and all essential governmental functions are operating and available to the public through remote or electronic access, as needed.

10. The Commissioners also shall continue the provisions of Resolution 2020-08 concerning the payment of claims and payment for county employees.
11. Violations of this order will be turned over to the Governor's Enforcement Response Team as set forth in Executive Order 20-18 for investigation and enforcement.
12. 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 10<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020 at \_\_:\_\_ o'clock p.m.

**Delaware County Board of Commissioners**

*Shannon Henry* \_\_\_\_\_  
Shannon Henry, President

*James King* \_\_\_\_\_  
James King, Vice President

*Sherry Riggan* \_\_\_\_\_  
Sherry Riggan, Member

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Steven G. Craycraft, County Auditor