

THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BERRIEN COUNTY, MICHIGAN: respectfully recommends the adoption of the following:

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, the Berrien County Emergency Operations Plan (“Plan”) details the actions taken when an emergency occurs in Berrien County including but not limited to declaring a Local State of Emergency; and

WHEREAS, Berrien County is in the midst of a public health emergency for a novel viral outbreak, its cause being COVID-19, a sometimes deadly respiratory illness; and

WHEREAS, Berrien County declared a Local State of Emergency due to that public health emergency on March 26, 2020; and

WHEREAS, under a Local State of Emergency, the Chief Executive Officer has the authority to “as necessary, appropriate and expend funds” (Annex A of the Plan); and

WHEREAS, the standard time frame for a Local State of Emergency is seven days; and

WHEREAS, it is expected that Berrien County will need to expand the number of days under the Local State of Emergency; and

WHEREAS, it is also necessary to extend the number of days that the Chief Executive Officer has that authority for an additional number of days beyond the date that the Local State of Emergency was declared.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Berrien County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Chief Executive Officers to, as necessary, appropriate and expend funds related to the Local State of Emergency through April 9, 2020.

**Respectfully submitted,
Berrien County Board of Commissioners**

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