

RESOLUTION

RE: DECLARATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY AND AUTHORIZE CHAIR TO SIGN ANY NECESSARY DOCUMENTS – COVID-19 PANDEMIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Weld County, Colorado, pursuant to Colorado statute and the Weld County Home Rule Charter, is vested with the authority of administering the affairs of Weld County, Colorado, and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, Governor Polis declared a State of Emergency to exist in the state of Colorado because of COVID-19, and on March 16, 2020, issued a Public Health Order closing bars, restaurants, theaters, gymnasiums, and casinos in Colorado, and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, Dr. Mark Wallace, M.D., Weld County Health Officer and Director of the Weld County Department of Public Health and Environment declared a Pandemic Health Emergency for Weld County because of COVID-19, and

WHEREAS, as a result of the restrictions placed on businesses and because of temporary business and office closings, families in Weld County will be suffering economic hardships in the next few weeks and months, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to C.R.S. §§ 24-33.5-701, et. seq. (the "Colorado Disaster Emergency Act"), and Title VI of PL 93-288, as amended, The Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, Weld County's citizens and businesses suffering economic injury as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic Health Emergency may qualify for Federal disaster assistance, or be eligible to apply for SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loans because of a Small Business Administration (SBA) disaster declaration, as long as the Board declares there exists in Weld County a disaster emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Weld County, Colorado, that a state of disaster emergency is in effect within Weld County, Colorado, because of the COVID-19 Pandemic Health Emergency.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board that it requests the Governor of the State of Colorado to do whatever is necessary to seek Federal funds for disaster emergency relief for Weld County and its citizens, including, but not limited to, requesting the SBA to declare small businesses in Weld County eligible to apply for SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loans.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board that the Chair be, and hereby is, authorized to sign any and all documents for the purpose of defining and communicating the existence of said disaster emergency.

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The above and foregoing Resolution was, on motion duly made and seconded, adopted by the following vote on the 18th day of March, A.D., 2020.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WELD COUNTY, COLORADO

ATTEST: Arthur G. Meade

Weld County Clerk to the Board

BY: Minh N. Nguyen
Deputy Clerk to the Board

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County Attorney

Date of signature: 03/18/20

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Mike Freeman, Chair

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