

RESOLUTION FOR THE DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY
DUE TO COVID-19 IN DOUGLAS COUNTY, STATE OF ILLINOIS BY THE
CHAIRMAN OF THE DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD

WHEREAS, under authority of Illinois Compiled Statutes 20 ILCS 3305/11 I, Don Munson, Douglas County Board Chair, upon joint recommendation by the Directors of the Douglas County Health Department and the Douglas County Emergency Management Agency, do hereby proclaim that a disaster emergency exists in Douglas County due to the following reasons: On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of COVID-19 to be a public health emergency of international concern and on March 11, 2020 the World Health Organization declared a worldwide pandemic; and on March 11, 2020 the U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary declared a public health emergency for the United States; and on March 9, 2020 the Governor of the State of Illinois issued a disaster proclamation due to the impact of the COVID-19 virus and has activated the State Emergency Operations Center; and the State Emergency Management Agency has declared a public health emergency due to the impact of the COVID-19 virus; and on March 13, 2020 the President of the United States declared a national emergency for the United States; and

WHEREAS, Douglas County has coordinated its response with other Douglas County governmental entities; and

WHEREAS, 20 ILCS 3305/10(j) of the Emergency Management Agency

Act, 65 ILCS 5/8-10-5, and 65 ILCS 5/11-1-6 provides political subdivisions, which by definition includes county government, with certain emergency authority; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305/11, further provides for emergency local disaster declaration by the principal executive officer or his or her interim emergency successor, which by definition provides that chair of a county board may make the emergency local declaration; and

WHEREAS, the Chairman of the Douglas County Board does proclaim as follows:

"I, Don Munson, Chairman of the Douglas County Board, pursuant to power granted to me by relevant provisions of the Illinois Compiled Statutes, do hereby declare the existence of a local emergency due to COVID-19 in Douglas County, Illinois. This declaration shall not be continued or renewed for a period in excess of 7 days except by or with the consent of the Douglas County Board."

A. Description of Emergency. The emergency is related to the COVID-19 virus which is causing or anticipated to cause widespread impacts on the health of members of the community. In this matter, I am relying upon each and every matter recited in the preamble hereto, which is hereby incorporated by reference; and

B. Filing. This Declaration shall be filed with the County Clerk of Douglas County. Copies of this Declaration shall be provided to the news media and posted to the County Website as soon as practicable; and

C. Seeking State and/or Federal Funding. Emergency procedures and protocols need to be implemented to facilitate decision making across the County and allow expedited procurement should it be necessary. This emergency will exceed the County's available personnel and financial resources, therefore funding and resources from the State and/or Federal Government will be necessary to mitigate the disaster; and


D. Activate Emergency Plans. The Douglas County Health Department Emergency Plan and the Douglas County Emergency Operations Plan are hereby activated and the Directors of the Douglas County Health Department and the Douglas County Emergency Management Agency are ordered to proceed with all haste to bring said disaster emergency to a rapid conclusion for the best interests of the residents of Douglas County and pursuant to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act.

This Declaration is effective at 10 o'clock a.m. on the 18th day of March, 2020. This Declaration shall remain effective for a period of 7 days from its enactment, unless continued or renewed by the Douglas County Board.



Don Munson, Chairman County Board

WITNESSED:



(Signature)

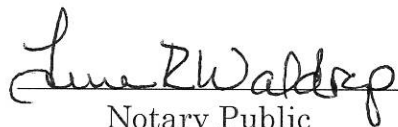
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STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS.
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS)

I, the undersigned, a Notary Public, in and for said County, in the State aforesaid, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT DON MUNSON is personally known to me to be the Chairman of the Douglas County Board, and personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and severally acknowledged that as such, that he signed and delivered the said instrument as Chairman of the Douglas County Board and as the free and voluntary act, for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and Notarial Seal this 18th day of March, 2020.


Notary Public

