

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-030

**2020 MISSOULA COUNTY
EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION
REGARDING COMMUNICABLE DISEASE COVID-19 NOVEL CORONAVIRUS**

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has declared the worldwide outbreak of COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, as of March 15, 2020, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) indicates there are over 1,629 confirmed cases COVID-19 in the United States and 41 deaths; and

WHEREAS, as of March 14, 2020 the State of Montana reported six confirmed cases of COVID-19 of which two reside in Missoula County; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 novel virus is a threat to the residents of Missoula County and local government's ability to provide continuity of essential government operations; and

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, February 4, the Missoula City-County Health Department initiated an Incident Command Team to address planning and response for COVID-19 occurrence in Missoula County; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the disaster/emergency authorities specified in Title 10 of the Montana Code Annotated; and

WHEREAS, Mont. Code Ann. §§ 10-3-402, 10-3-403, and 10-3-404 require an emergency proclamation by the principle executive officer in order to activate applicable parts of the local emergency plan and to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance in accordance with such plans and programs.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED and declared by the Board of Missoula County Commissioners that an emergency exists.

DATED THIS 20TH DAY OF MARCH 2020

ATTEST:

Clerk and Recorder

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MISSOULA COUNTY



Josh Slotnick, Chair



David Strohmaier, Commissioner

Juanita Vero, Commissioner