

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-08**

**COUNTY EMERGENCY DECLARATION RESOLUTION**

**A RESOLUTION DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY EXISTS IN PHILLIPS COUNTY  
RELATED TO THE 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, the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) recognizes COVID-19 as a threat to the residents of Montana, and

WHEREAS, the Montana Governor of Montana Steve Bullock has declared a State of Emergency related to this disease, and

WHEREAS, the Phillips County Health Board also recognizes COVID-19 as a threat to the residents of Phillips County, and local response plans and protocols have been activated to prepare for the arrival of the virus, and

WHEREAS, the circumstances of this disease may exceed the capacity of the services, personnel, equipment, supplies and facilities within Phillips County and the mutual aid resources available, and

WHEREAS, the availability and utilization of all necessary County and mutual aid services, equipment, and suppliers under this declaration will further the efforts to protect the health and safety, lives, property, and resources of the people of Phillips County, and

WHEREAS, when Phillips County has a positive case of COVID-19 within the County it will exceed our local capacity,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Commissioners that an Emergency is hereby declared pursuant to Section 10-3-402, MCA, because response to and recovery from this disease will exceed the financial capability of the County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of their resolution be filed with the County Clerk & Recorder, County Assessor and the Montana Disaster and Emergency Services Division in Helena.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:


  
Richard Dunbar

  
John F Carnahan

  
Bruce Christofferson



ATTEST:

  
Lynnel LaBrie, Clerk