RESOLUTION 2020-13

WHEREAS, the Teton County Commissioners are empowered by Section 7-5-2101, MCA, under such limitation and restrictions as are prescribed by law, to manage the business and concerns of Teton County, Montana, in such a manner and to such an extent as the Commission determines to be in the County’s best interest;

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Montana has declared a state of emergency in Montana regarding the onset and spread of the COVID-19 Coronavirus; and

WHEREAS, the Health and Human Services Secretary has declared a public health emergency for the United States. The Teton County Commission has determined that it is of the utmost importance to protect our citizens within the entire County of Teton, Montana, from the spread of this disease by following the guidance of the Center for Disease Control and Prevention. The Teton County Public Health Officer has strongly recommended closing the Courthouse and all county buildings to the public as a preventative measure to protect the citizens and to control the spread of this disease;

WHEREAS, the Teton County Commission has declared a disaster as defined in Section 10-3-103, MCA, by Resolution 2020-12 passed on March 23, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, upon strong recommendation of the Teton County Public Health Officer, the Board of Teton County Commissioners are closing the Teton County Courthouse and all county buildings to the public effective 12:01 a.m. on March 24, 2020, until further resolution of the Board. Business will be conducted by phone, mail or appointment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Commissioners and Elected officials will continue to conduct necessary business. Business will be conducted by phone, mail or appointment.

DATED this 23rd day of March, 2020.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

[Signature]
James E. Hodgskiss, Chairman

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Paula J. Jaconetty, Teton County Clerk and Recorder