

PONDERA COUNTY MONTANA
RESOLUTION #27-2019/20

PROCLAIMING AN EMERGENCY DECLARATION (COVID-19)

WHEREAS, the novel Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19) Pandemic is causing widespread human and economic impacts that could significantly impact Pondera County;

WHEREAS, the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) recognizes COVID-19 as a threat to the residents of Montana;

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Montana, pursuant to the authority vested under the Constitution and the laws of the State of Montana, Title 10, Chapter 3, MCA, and other applicable statutes, declared that an emergency exists statewide, as defined in § 10-3-103 and § 10-3-302, MCA;

WHEREAS, Pondera County has committed all available resources, taken all possible action to combat and to alleviate the situation and local resources may not be adequate to cope with the situation and Pondera County Board of Public Health has declared a Health Emergency on March 20, 2020;

WHEREAS, due to the nationwide outbreak of COVID-19, the Pondera County Commissioners are empowered by § 7-5-2101 MCA, under such limitations and restrictions as are prescribed by law, to manage the staffing, funding, business and concerns of Pondera County, Montana, in such a manner and to such an extent as the Commission determined to be in the County's best interest;

WHEREAS, by declaring a disaster declaration, the Pondera County Commission shall activate applicable parts of the local or interjurisdictional disaster and emergency plan and program and authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance in accordance with such plans and programs, including staffing augmentations and funding allocations to best support the response.

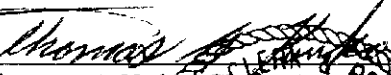
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PONDERA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS that:

1. an emergency declaration is hereby declared pursuant to § 10-3-403 and/or § 10-3-402 MCA;

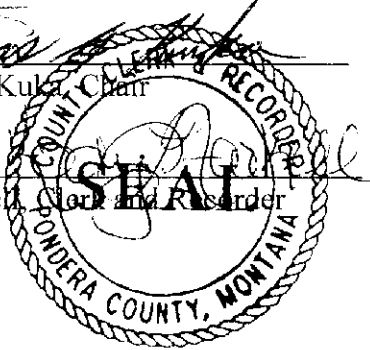
2. Pondera County Health Department and the Pondera County Disaster and Pondera County Emergency Services will activate the Pondera County Emergency Management Plan.

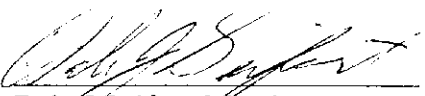
Adopted this 20th day of March, 2020 as moved by Commissioner Morren, seconded by Commissioner Seifert, and passed on a 3-0 vote of the board. Effective on passage and approval.

PONDERA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Pondera County, Montana


Thomas A Kula, Chair

ATTEST:
Kody Farkel, Clerk and Recorder




Dale J Seifert, Member


Jim Morren, Member