

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION CONTINUING THE DECLARATION OF A DISASTER IN McLEAN COUNTY, ILLINOIS

WHEREAS, a significant outbreak of Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) emerged; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a novel severe acute respiratory illness that can spread among people through respiratory transmissions and present with symptoms similar to those of influenza; and

WHEREAS, certain populations are at higher risk of experiencing more severe illness as a result of COVID-19 including older adults and people who have serious chronic medical conditions such as heart disease, diabetes, or lung disease; and

WHEREAS, McLean County, Illinois is continuing its efforts to prepare for any eventuality given that this is a novel illness with known health risks to the elderly and those with serious chronic medical conditions; and

WHEREAS, the CDC currently recommends community preparedness and everyday prevention measures be taken by all individuals and families in the United States, including voluntary home isolation when individuals are sick with respiratory symptoms, covering coughs and sneezes with a tissue, washing hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, and routinely cleaning frequently touched surfaces and objects to increase community resilience and readiness for responding to an outbreak; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of McLean County, Illinois to be prepared to address any disaster and therefore, it is necessary and appropriate to make additional resources within McLean County, Illinois available to ensure that the effects of COVID-19 are mitigated and minimized and that residents and visitors in McLean County, Illinois remain safe and secure; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2020, McLean County Board Chairman John McIntyre proclaimed a local emergency pursuant to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305/11, and McLean County Code, Chapter 31 – Emergency Services – SS 31-11; and

WHEREAS, on March 26, 2020 the McLean County Board extended the Chairman's original proclamation to April 22, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, on April 22, 2020 the McLean County Board extended the Chairman's original proclamation to May 20, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, on May 19, 2020 the McLean County Board extended the Chairman's original proclamation to June 17, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to 20 ILCS 3305/11 this proclamation by the entire County Board of the County of McLean will continue the activation of the McLean County, Illinois emergency operations plan by extending and continuing the aforementioned proclamations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of McLean County, Illinois, by virtue of the authority vested in the Board of the County of McLean pursuant to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act, 20 ILCS 3305/11, proclaims that a disaster exists within McLean County, Illinois; and,


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the McLean County Board further desires to continue the parameters previously dictated that any individual expenditure from the treasury of McLean County that is not currently authorized within the McLean County Budget for 2020 to provide for services, goods or products that relate to the COVID-19 outbreak must be approved by the McLean County Administrator and McLean County Board Chair if it is greater than \$25,000. With the exception of expenditures already authorized within the McLean County Budget for 2020, the McLean County Administrator shall not authorize expenditures for services, goods or products related to the COVID-19 outbreak in an aggregate that exceeds \$500,000 without convening a meeting of the McLean County Board at which such expenditures are approved; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the McLean County Administrator is directed to publish this declaration pursuant to all applicable state and local laws.

This proclamation is effective on June 16, 2020, and shall continue until July 22, 2020 unless extended by the County Board of McLean County, Illinois.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:



John D. McIntyre, Chairman
McLean County Board



Kathy Michael, Clerk of the County Board
McLean County