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Resolution Authorizing Livingston County to Declare a Local State of Emergency -Emergency Management

- **WHEREAS,** Livingston County has been impacted by the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death; and
- **WHEREAS,** Livingston County must be able to continue government and business operations safely, without posing a danger to the public or county officials; and
- WHEREAS, on October 16, 2020 Senate Bill 1108 extended the ability to hold public meetings electronically / virtually through December 31, 2020 and retroactively from March 18, 2020; and,
- WHEREAS, the provisions of Senate Bill 1108 will expire on 12-31-2020, while the dangers of the COVID 19 pandemic persist into 2021; and
- WHEREAS, Livingston County, as of 12-7-2020, has experienced 5922 cases of COVID 19; 52 COVID 19 related deaths; and cases are expected to increase through the winter and spring of 2021; and
- **WHEREAS,** the COVID 19 vaccination for the general public will likely not be available until spring of 2021; and
- **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Livingston County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes a Local Declaration of Emergency in order to protect the safety, health, and wellbeing of the public and government officials while conducting business utilizing an electronic / virtual platform to hold public meetings, and meet the requirements of the Michigan Open Meetings Act.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners be authorized to sign the Local Declaration of Emergency for Livingston County. The Local Declaration will cover all local jurisdictions within Livingston County to conduct public meetings utilizing electric / virtual platforms. The Signed Local Declaration shall be submitted to Michigan State Police Emergency Management Division by the Livingston County Emergency Management Coordinator, and filed with the Livingston County Clerk's Office.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that due to the prolonged nature of this event, this emergency declaration may remain in effect until March 31, 2021 or when the board acts to terminate or extend the state of emergency.

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