



**LIVINGSTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN**  
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## Memorandum

**To: Livingston County Board of Commissioners**  
**From: Therese Cremonte, Emergency Manager**  
**Date: 12/08/2020**  
**Re: Resolution to Approve Local Declaration of Emergency– Emergency  
Management / Public Safety/ Finance / Full Board**

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The local impact of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death, has created the need for a local emergency declaration in order for Livingston County to safely continue business while complying with the Michigan Opens Meetings Act.

Due to COVID 19, the following conditions exist: As of 12-7-2020, Livingston County has experienced 5922 cases of COVID 19, and 52 deaths. Cases are currently on the rise, and a vaccine to combat the COVID 19 virus will likely not be available to the general public until spring of 2021, at the earliest.

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. A Local Emergency Declaration by the Livingston County Board of Commissioners should be considered to continue holding electronic / virtual public meetings to protect the public and county leadership until the danger of the pandemic has passed.

Once approved and signed, the local declaration must be filed with the Michigan State Police, Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division, posted under the Livingston County Emergency Management Program Status on the Michigan Critical Incident Management System (MICIMS), and filed with the Livingston County Clerk's Office. Other jurisdictions within Livingston County may operate under the provisions of this Local Emergency Declaration for Livingston County.

If you have any questions regarding this matter please contact me.