

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
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COUNTY OF DUNN)

I, Julie A. Wathke, County Clerk in and for the County of Dunn, State of Wisconsin, do hereby certify that the attached copy of Resolution No. 2020-18 is a true and correct copy of the original resolution duly adopted by the Dunn County Board of Supervisors at a meeting held on March 18, 2020.

Given under my hand and seal in the City of Menomonie this 19th day of March, 2020.



Julie A. Wathke
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Dunn County Clerk

DUNN COUNTY, WISCONSIN
RESOLUTION NO. 18

**Declaring a State of Emergency in Dunn County, Wisconsin and
Authorizing the County Manager to Take Necessary Actions**

WHEREAS, in December 2019, a novel strain of coronavirus was discovered to cause a respiratory disease known as COVID-19; which is highly contagious and capable of causing severe adverse health consequences, including hospitalization and death; and

WHEREAS, the United States is experiencing an expanding COVID-19 pandemic with numerous cases in many states, including Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States has declared a national emergency; and

WHEREAS, Governor Tony Evers has declared a public health emergency in the State of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, the worldwide outbreak of COVID-19 and its extreme risk of person-to-person transmission throughout the United States, the spread of COVID-19 throughout Wisconsin, and the potential for the spread of COVID-19 within Dunn County constitutes a condition in the County posing an imminent threat of a disaster within the meaning of Chapter 323 of the Wisconsin Statutes that impairs the medical care, protection of health and well-being, security and safety of the public, and other critical systems of Dunn County, for which extraordinary measures may be necessary; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and expedient for the health, safety, protection and welfare of persons within Dunn County that reasonable and prudent steps be taken to prevent, limit, and contain the potential community transmission of COVID-19 and to treat those who become infected with COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, declaring a state of emergency will facilitate and expedite the use of resources to protect persons from the impacts of the spread of COVID-19 while maintaining continuity of operations for the County of Dunn; and

WHEREAS, Dunn County desires to be as strategically proactive as possible to ensure the health and safety of Dunn County citizens, staff and those traveling throughout Dunn County; and

WHEREAS, Dunn County desires to maintain the highest level of services related to the general public, such as Public Safety, Health and Human Services, Emergency Management and those departments directly related to the general welfare of all residents; and

WHEREAS, Dunn County requires administrative flexibility to manage throughout this pandemic; and

WHEREAS, this administrative flexibility will provide the County Manager the ability to take certain actions, including without limitation, the following: to close or limit access to Dunn County government facilities as necessary; to implement strategic staffing changes to ensure adequate numbers of healthy staff are in place to carry out necessary and critical services; to waive administrative policies regarding health insurance and assist in personnel expenses as a result of implementing staffing changes; and to make temporary changes and exceptions to the Dunn

County Employee Handbook, Human Resources policies, and any other administrative policy or guideline;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, in light of the imminent threat to the provision of medical care and public health posed by COVID-19; to protect the public peace, health and safety; to preserve lives, property, and economic stability; and to ensure cooperation and coordination in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Dunn County Board of Supervisors does hereby declare a State of Emergency in Dunn County, Wisconsin pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 323.11, which shall be limited to the time during which the emergency conditions exist or are likely to exist, unless earlier rescinded by the County Board of Supervisors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Manager, in consultation with the Public Health Director and County Board Chair, is directed to strategically implement necessary policies to ensure the safety and health of the Dunn County staff, residents and those traveling throughout the county for a period not to exceed six months from the date of this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Manager is authorized to make necessary changes and exceptions to existing County policy for a period not to exceed six months from the date of this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Manager shall report to the Dunn County Board of Supervisors on a weekly basis by email or telephone all of the emergency administrative actions taken under the authority granted in the resolution, including the reason for such changes and exceptions.

Offered this 18th day of March, 2020, at Menomonie, Wisconsin.

Dunn County Board of Supervisors

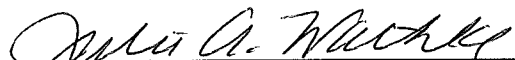
Adopted on: March 18, 2020



David Bartlett, Chair

ATTEST:

Approved as to Form and Execution:



Julie A. Wathke, County Clerk



Nicholas P. Lange, Corporation Counsel

Budget Impact: The fiscal impact is unknown, and will depend on the emergency administrative actions taken. Fiscal impact will affect the fund balance of the County.