BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF STEVENS COUNTY WASHINGTON

N THE MATTER OF DECLARING A TATE OF EMERGENCY DUE TO THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS COVID-19)	RESOLUTION NO. 30-2020
)	DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on February 29, 2020, Governor Inslee issued Proclamation 20-05, proclaiming a State of Emergency as a result of the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) outbreak in the United States and confirmed person-to-person spread of COVID-19 in Washington State; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, Governor Inslee issued Proclamation 20-11, stating that the worldwide COVID-19 pandemic and its progression in Washington State continues to threaten the life and health of our people as well as the economy of Washington State, and remains a public health disaster affecting life, health, property or the public peace; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020 Governor Inslee has announced that he is restricting any meetings or gatherings of 50 or more people and is shutting down all restaurants and bars for two (2) weeks; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has consulted with Sam Artzis, Health Officer, Matt Schanz, the Director of North East Tri County Health District (NETCHD), and Jim Caruso, the Emergency Manager of Stevens County as to the current conditions related to COVID-19; and,

WHEREAS, there is a present emergency which necessitates activation of our Stevens County emergency management plans, and utilization of emergency powers granted pursuant to RCW 36.40.180 and RCW 38.52.070(2).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

Section 1. It is hereby declared by the Board of Stevens County Commissioners that there is an emergency due to the outbreak of COVID-19 in our region. Therefore, designated departments are authorized to enter into contracts and incur obligations necessary to combat such disaster, protecting the health and safety of persons and property and providing emergency assistance to the victims of such disaster.

Section 2. Each designated department is authorized to exercise the powers vested under Section 1 of this resolution in the light of the exigencies of an extreme emergency situation without regard to time-consuming procedures and formalities prescribed by law (excepting mandatory constitutional requirements).

Passed by the Board of Stevens County Commissioners meeting in regular session at Colville, Washington, at _____ a.m. by the following vote, then signed by its membership and attested to by its Clerk in authorization of such passage the 17th day of March, 2020.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF STEVENS COUNTY, WASHINGTON Chairman Don Dashiell Commissioner Steve Parker Commissioner Wes McCart

ATTEST:

Patricia A. Chester Clerk of the Board