



NEWAYGO COUNTY

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DECLARATION FOR A LOCAL "STATE OF EMERGENCY"

TO: Commanding Officer – Michigan State Police Emergency Management and Homeland Security Department; District # 6 District Coordinator Lt. Orville Theaker

WHEREAS, the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death. It is caused by a new strain of coronavirus that had not been previously identified in humans and can easily spread from person to person.

WHEREAS, COVID-19 has been identified as the cause of an outbreak of respiratory illness first detected in Wuhan City in the Hubei Province of China. Person-to-person spread of the virus has occurred in the United States, with some of those occurring in people with no travel history and no known source of exposure. On January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar declared a public health emergency for COVID-19, and affected state and local governments have also declared states of emergency.

WHEREAS, the County of Newaygo has been taking proactive steps to prevent and prepare for the spread of this disease.

WHEREAS, the **Chief Elected Official of the Newaygo County Board of Commissioners** has determined that extraordinary measures must be taken to stop the spread of this disease, alleviate the suffering of people, and to protect or rehabilitate property,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED BY THE CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIAL BY THE NEWAYGO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 10(b) OF MICHIGAN PUBLIC ACT 390, P.A. 1976 AS AMENDED:

1. That a Local State of Emergency is hereby declared for **Newaygo County**.
2. The Local State of Emergency shall continue for a period of not more than seven days from the date of this declaration unless continued or renewed by the **Newaygo County Board of Commissioners**.
3. This declaration of a Local State of Emergency shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly with the Michigan State Police Emergency Management Division, Michigan State Police Newaygo Post, and the **Newaygo County Clerk**.
4. This declaration of a Local State of Emergency activates the **Newaygo County Emergency Operations Plan** to direct the jurisdiction's response and recovery efforts and resources so that local resources are being utilized to the fullest possible

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extent. This includes activation of the jurisdiction's emergency operations center for coordination and control and utilization of the National Incident Management System by disaster relief forces.

5. That this proclamation shall take effect immediately from and after its issuance.

ORDERED this 13 day of March, 2020.



CEO, Newaygo County Board of Commissioners

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Date