RESOLUTION 2020-05 LIMITATIONS ON ACCESS TO COURTHOUSE AND OTHER COUNTY FACILITIES

WHEREAS it is essential that the Weston County government continue to provide services to the public while minimizing public interaction during this COVID-19 pandemic crisis to maintain services as long as possible, rather than eventually possibly closing down entirely will conduct regular business solely through mail, email, and telephone, except by appointment; and

WHEREAS the reasons for this limitation on access were discussed at this Board's emergency meeting on March 19, 2020, and memorialized in the Weston County Health Officer Public Health Order 20-1, which was affirmed by motion of this Board on the same date.

WHEREAS on March 25, 2020, Chairman Wagoner closed the Weston County Courthouse and other County Facilities to the public pursuant to his authority provided by the Board in the Weston County Employee Handbook to close such facilities.

WHEREAS this Board ratifies the March 25, 2020, decision to limit access to the public by Chairman Wagoner, and clarifies the nature, scope, and duration of the closure through this Resolution.

IT IS THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners in and for Weston County, Wyoming that it is essential that the Weston County government continue to provide services throughout this COVID-19 pandemic crisis, effective March 25, 2020, and continuing until further notice, and that:

Access to the offices, and facilities of Weston County including the Courthouse and Annex will be limited to conducting regular business with the public by employees, Department heads, and elected officials solely through mail, email, and telephone, except by appointment wherein the particular Department head or elected official shall determine if face to face is necessary to conduct business with the Weston County Commissioners, Clerk, Treasurer, Assessor, Department of Homeland Security, Department of Health, Extension Office, Attorney and Public Health.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the court will remain open to provide essential services as determined by the Wyoming Supreme Court and local judges. The public has been excluded from the Circuit and District Courtroom by Court Order. The Weston County Clerk of District Court and Circuit Court will remain open to the public and will continue to conduct regular business through mail, email, and telephone, and prefer an appointment wherein the particular court shall determine if face to face is necessary to conduct business.

The Weston County Sheriff will continue to operate as deemed necessary by the Sheriff.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all COVID-19 response questions and requests for information are to be directed to the Public Health at 307-746-4775.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that situations involving a pandemic can be unpredictable. More restrictive exceptions may be made to this policy on a case-by-case basis in order to accomplish the mission of Weston County and to insure the safety of our employees, department heads, and elected officials, and may be made by the Chairman and later ratified by this Board. This policy shall remain in place until the end of the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board, April 7, 2020.

Motion made, seconded and carried in a telephonic open emergency meeting on March 28, 2020.

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