#### Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners Resolution 2021-14

#### Pandemic Resolution

The Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners, at a Reconvene of a Regular Meeting, January 22, 2021, reviewed and approved the following:

WHEREAS, we live in a time of pandemic; and

WHEREAS, we are now entering into the second year of the global pandemic which has impacted every Kalkaska County citizen in a myriad ways; and

WHEREAS, the threat from the virus, though serious, has resulted in a thwarting of constitutional liberties and personal freedoms without sufficient regard for ongoing and potentially irreparable economic, emotional, educational and other societal abuses; and

WHEREAS, Governor Whitmer working with the Attorney General, Secretary of State, the Directors of the Michigan Health Department and the Michigan Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, did engage in fining, penalizing, and revoking the licenses of businesses for failure to obey and enforce the unconstitutional Executive Orders; and

WHEREAS, the orders by the MDHHS lack legislative support of the democratically elected representatives, having been initiated unilaterally and unconstitutionally by the Governor of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the orders by the MDHHS have disallowed any degree of personal accountability, eroded constitutional rights of citizens and have placed undue burden and restrictions on local businesses, local employees and the citizens of Kalkaska County; and

WHEREAS, The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) has issued orders without providing funding or sufficient guidance for the enforcement of such orders; and

**WHEREAS,** the 1st Amendment to the constitution states: "Congress shall make no laws respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof: or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press, or of the people to peaceably assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances."; and

**WHEREAS**, title 18, u.s.c. section 241 says "If two or more persons conspire to injure, oppress, threaten, or intimidate any person in any State, Territory, Commonwealth, Possession, or District in the free exercise or enjoyment of any right or privilege secured to him by the Constitution or laws of the United States, or because of his having so exercised the same..."

Title 18, u.s.c 242 says "Whoever, under color of any law, statute, ordinance, regulation, or custom, willfully subjects any person in any State, Territory, Commonwealth, Possession, or District to the deprivation of any rights, privileges, or immunities secured or protected by the Constitution or laws of the United States, or to different punishments, pains, or penalties, on account of such person being an alien, or by reason of his color, or race, than are prescribed for the punishment of citizens, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than one year, or both"; and

WHEREAS, the right and responsibility of individuals to self-determine what is best for their own health, liberty and pursuit of happiness is necessary and ensured by our Constitution, which we have taken an oath to defend and uphold;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, The Kalkaska County Commission calls upon the Michigan Legislature to exercise their co-equal authority by adopting constitutionally sound measures which limit the unchecked exercise and abuse of executive power, which restore individual responsibility and accountability, and which return Michigan to the ranks of freedom-loving governments everywhere.

**FURTHER,** The Kalkaska County Commission does not support the expenditure of any county funds for the purpose of arrest and prosecution of any person accused of violating MDHHS emergency orders regarding COVID-19, and encourages the Kalkaska County Sheriff's Department and The Kalkaska County Prosecutors Office to uphold their oaths of office to support the Constitution, which is the Supreme Law of the land, and make this the lowest priority;

**FURTHER**, we call upon the citizens of Kalkaska County to act responsibly with regards to others while determining for themselves what is best for themselves, for their own families and loved ones and how to contend with the ongoing risks associated with the COVID-19 virus;

**FURTHER**, we call upon local businesses to use their own good judgement to operate in a manner which minimizes risk to patrons while protecting the health and welfare of their businesses, care for their employees, and the community;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that copies of this resolution be transmitted to Governor Whitmer, both United States Senators, all Michigan Members of Congress, both Speakers of the House of Representative and the Senate, along with the Michigan Association of Counties and all Counties within Michigan, along with the Michigan Township Association and all Townships, Cities and Villages within Michigan.

Commissioners present: Baldwin, Banko, Bicum, Comai, Crambell, Fisher and Sweet. Commissioners absent: None

**Motion** by Commissioner Bicum. Supported by Commissioner Sweet.

Roll call vote:

Yeas: Bicum, Sweet, Baldwin, Banko, Comai, Crambell, Fisher.

Nays: None Absent: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Kohn Fisher, Chairman 1-22-2021 Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners

STATE OF MICHIGAN

) ss.

COUNTY OF KALKASKA )

I, the undersigned, Clerk of Kalkaska County, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners at its Reconvene of a Regular Meeting held 1-22-0221.

Deborah Hill, County Clerk 1-22-2021

Clerk of the Kalkaska County Board of Commissioners



## ANTRIM COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Chairman: TERRY VANALSTINE

January 28, 2021

At the January 21, 2021 meeting of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, the following Resolution was offered.

RESOLUTION #09-2021, by Ed Boettcher, seconded by Christian Marcus

### RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF LOCAL BUSINESSES

WHEREAS, the novel coronavirus (COVID-19). Is a respiratory disease that can result in serious illness or death; and

WHEREAS, the Antrim County Board of Commissioners recognizes that COVID-19 is having direct impact on all County residents which includes, but is not limited to, physical and mental health care difficulties, education constraints, and financial strain; and

WHEREAS, The Antrim County Board of Commissioners understands that many local businesses have suffered and continue to suffer economic harm due to COVID-19, and

WHEREAS, The Antrim County Board of Commissioners furthermore recognizes that the local hospitality industry is being hit particularly hard with financial losses due to restrictions associated with COVID-19, and

WHEREAS, The Antrim County Board of Commissioners believes that the ability of County residents and visitors to patronize local restaurants, hotels, recreational venues, etc., contributes substantially to the overall well-being of the County; and

WHEREAS, The Antrim County Board of Commissioners is aware of many options to support the small businesses such as ordering takeout, using gift cards, and making advanced reservations, and

WHEREAS, The Antrim County Board of Commissioners believe small businesses engaged in food service can operate safely by practicing ServSafe health and safety practices specific to operating during a COVID-19 pandemic and limiting occupancy, while meeting the needs of the customer.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** The Antrim County Board of Commissioners encourages County residents to support their local businesses, particularly during the course of the pandemic, without fear.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that copies of this resolution be transmitted to Governor Whitmer, both the Speaker of the State House of Representatives and the Majority Leader of the State Senate along with the Michigan Association of Counties (MAC) and all counties within the State of Michigan.

Yes – Jarris Rubingh, Joshua Watrous, Ed Boettcher, Terry VanAlstine, Brenda Ricksgers,
Dawn LaVanway, Jason Helwig, Christian Marcus;
No – Karen Bargy;
Absent – None.

#### **RESOLUTION #09-2021 DECLARED ADOPTED.**

ANTRIM COUNTY CLERK, BELLAIRE, MI STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF ANTRIM, ss

I, Sheryl A. Guy, Clerk of the Clerk of the County of Antrim, certify the above is a true and exact copy of the original record now remaining in this office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand and official seal of the County of Antrim

this 29th day of January, 2021

\_\_County Clerk



District #2 Chairman of the Board Robert Adrian

District #7 Vice-Chairman Marty Thomson

District #1 Commissioner Don Gilmet

District #3 Commissioner Dave Karschnick

District #4 Commissioner Bill Peterson

District #5 Commissioner Brenda Fournier

District #6 Commissioner Kevin Osbourne

District #8 Commissioner John Kozlowski

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Resolution #21-03

Pandemic Resolution

The Alpena County Board of Commissioners, at a regular meeting, January 26, 2021, reviewed and approved the following:

WHEREAS, we live in a time of pandemic; and

WHEREAS, we are now entering into the second year of the global pandemic which has impacted every Alpena County citizen in a myriad of ways; and

WHEREAS, the threat from the virus, though serious, has resulted in a thwarting of constitutional liberties and personal freedoms without sufficient regard for ongoing and potentially irreparable economic, emotional, educational, and other societal abuses; and

WHEREAS, Governor Whitmer working with the Attorney General, Secretary of State, the Directors of the Michigan Health Department and revoking the licenses of businesses for failure to obey and enforce the unconstitutional Executive Orders; and

WHEREAS, the orders by the MDHHS lack legislative support of the democratically elected representatives, having been initiated unilaterally and unconstitutionally by the Governor of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the orders by the MDHHS have disallowed any degree of personal accountability, eroded constitutional rights of citizens and have placed undue burden and restrictions on local businesses, local employees and the citizens of Alpena County; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) has issued orders without providing funding or sufficient guidance for the enforcement of such orders; and

WHEREAS, the 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment to the constitution states: "Congress shall make no laws respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the

press, or of the people to peaceably assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances"; and

- WHEREAS, Title 18, U.S.C. Section 241 says "If two or more persons conspire to injure, oppress, threaten, or intimidate any person in any State, Territory, Commonwealth, Possession, or District in the free exercise or enjoyment of any right or privilege secured to him by the Constitution or laws of the United States, or because of his having so exercised the same..."

  Title 18, U.S.C. 242 says "Whoever, under color of any law, statute, ordinance, regulation, or custom, willfully subjects any person in any State, Territory, Commonwealth, Possession, or District to the deprivation of any rights, privileges, or immunities secured or protected by the Constitution or laws of the United States, or to different punishments, pains, or penalties, on account of such person being an alien, or by reason of his color, or race, than are prescribed for the punishment of citizens, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than one year or both"; and
- WHEREAS, the right and responsibility of individuals to self-determine what is best for their own health, liberty and pursuit of happiness is necessary and ensured by our Constitution, which we have taken an oath to defend and uphold:
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Alpena County Commission calls upon the Michigan Legislature to exercise their co-equal authority by adopting constitutionally sound measures which limit the unchecked exercise and abuse of executive power, which restore individual responsibility and accountability, and which return Michigan to the ranks of freedom-loving governments everywhere.
- FURTHER, The Alpena County Commission does not support the expenditure of any county funds for the purpose of arrest and prosecution of any person accused of violating MDHHS emergency orders regarding COVID-19 and encourages the Alpena County Sheriff's Department and the Alpena County Prosecutor's Office to uphold their oaths of office to support the Constitution which is the Supreme Law of the land, and make this the lowest priority;
- FURTHER, we call upon the citizens of Alpena County to act responsibly with regards to others while determining for themselves what is best for themselves, for their own families and loved ones and how to contend with the ongoing risks associated with the COVID-19 virus;
- FURTHER, we call upon local businesses to use their own good judgement to operate in a manner which minimizes risk to patrons while protecting the health and welfare of their businesses, care for their employees, and the community;
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to Governor Whitmer, both United States Senators, all Michigan Members of Congress, both

Speakers of the House of Representatives and the Senate, along with the Michigan Association of Counties and all Counties within Michigan, along with the Michigan Township Association and all Townships, Cities and Villages within Alpena County, Michigan.

Moved by Commissioner Thomson and supported by Commissioner Kozlowski to recommend to approve a pandemic resolution for Alpena County as presented and authorize the Chairman of the Board and County Clerk to sign it. Roll call vote was taken: AYES: Commissioners Gilmet, Karschnick, Peterson, Fournier, Osbourne, Thomson, and Kozlowski. NAYS: Commissioner Adrian. Motion carried.

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
County of Alpena)



Robert Adrian, Board Chairman

I, Bonnie Friedrichs, Clerk of the Circuit Court for the County of Alpena, the same of Court of Record and having a seal do hereby certify that January 26, 2021 session and that it is a true and correct transcript therefrom and of the whole thereof.

IN TESTIMONY THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court, at Alpena this 26th day of January 2021.

Bonnie Friedrichs, County Clerk

## TUSCOLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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# Resolution Declaring Tuscola County a Constitutional Second Amendment Sanctuary County 2021-03

At a Regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tuscola, State of Michigan held on 14<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Thomas Young, Thomas Bardwell, Kim Vaughan, Douglas DuRussel, Dan Grimshaw

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: None

Commissioner Vaughan offered the following resolution and moved its adoption with a second provided by Commissioner Grimshaw.

WHEREAS, the Second Amendment to The Constitution of the United States of America, ratified in 1791 as part of the Bill of Rights, states "A well-regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed"; and

WHEREAS, Article I, Section 6 of the Michigan Constitution (1963) provides that "Every person has a right to keep and bear arms for the defense of himself and the state"; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this Board to reaffirm its commitment and support of The Constitution of the United States of America as well as the Constitution of the State of Michigan including all amendments which protect Tuscola County citizens' individual rights; and

WHEREAS, each Tuscola County Commissioner, as provided by Article IX, Section 1, of the Michigan Constitution (1963), took an oath to support The Constitution of the United States of America and the Michigan Constitution.

WHEREAS, a "Constitutional Sanctuary County" is defined as a place of refuge for the law abiding citizen in regards to the citizens' rights under The Constitution of the United States of America and Michigan Constitution including but not limited to the Second Amendment right to Keep and Bear Arms.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners, that the County of Tuscola, Michigan, be, and hereby is, declared to be a "Constitutional Sanctuary County."

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board affirms its support for the Tuscola County Sheriff and the Tuscola County Prosecuting Attorney, in the exercise of their sound discretion to NOT enforce any statue or law

that is contrary to the rights established by The Constitution of the United States of America and the State of Michigan Constitution against any law abiding citizen of Tuscola County.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Board will not authorize or appropriate funds, resources, employees, agencies, contractors, buildings, detention centers or offices for the purposes of enforcing any law that restricts the rights of any law abiding citizen affirmed by the Second Amendment or Article 1, Section 6, of the Michigan Constitution, nor be used to aid any state or federal agency in infringing or restricting such rights which would be considered to be unconstitutional; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board respectfully requests the Michigan Legislature, the United States Congress and other agencies of State and Federal government to vigilantly preserve and protect those rights by rejecting any provision, law or regulation that may infringe, have tendency to infringe or place any additional burdens on the rights of law-abiding citizens to keep and bear arms; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be sent to Governor Gretchen Whitmer, Senator Kevin Daley, House Representative Phil Green, the other 82 counties in the State of Michigan, U.S. Congress Members Lisa McClain and Dan Kildee and U.S. Senators Gary Peters and Debbie Stabenow.

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Those Commissioners voting in favor: DuRussel, Grimsha Those Commissioners voting against: None	w, Young, Vaughan, Bardwell
This Resolution was declared adopted.	Thomas Bardwell Chairman of the Tuscola County Board of Commissioners
As also signed by:	
Mark E. Reene, Tuscola County Prosecuting Attorney	<del></del>

l, Jodi Fetting, the undersigned duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Tuscola, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of proceedings taken at a Regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of said County held on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021, the original of which is on file in the County Clerk Office. Public notice of such meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with Act No. 267, Public Acts of 1976, as amended.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my official signature this 14th day of January, 2021.

Jodi Fetting
Tuscola County Clerk

## Jackson County Board of Commissioners Resolution No. 06-20.19 Resolution in Support of the Request to Reopen Jackson County of Jackson

The Board of Commissioners of the County of Jackson, State of Michigan, states:

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WHEREAS, since March 24, 2020, the people of the State of Michigan have been under a stayat-home order and unable to go to work, gather in public or even visit family or friends in an effort to "flatten the curve" and attempt to stop the novel coronavirus that was infecting so many people and overwhelming our health care system in some urban areas; and

WHEREAS, Governor Whitmer has issued a series of Executive Orders addressing the Coronavirus pandemic, most recently known as the "Stay Home, Stay Safe" directives, and said directives are "one size fits all"; and

WHEREAS, it is undisputed that the novel coronavirus is highly communicable and dangerous primarily to those with comorbidity factors, but that "the curve" has been flattened and our health care system is capable of receiving and treating patients. What is also undisputed is that the current level of lockdown is unnatural and is itself the source of numerous other community problems, including rising rates of domestic violence, depression and suicides, and that this unreasonable extended prohibition on normal human interaction is having negative impact and making us less neighborly, less human and more isolated. Also, it is undisputed that many individuals and businesses are suffering significant economic harm from the ongoing indiscriminate lockdown. Finally, the response to the coronavirus is causing residents in our area to fear going to the hospital for their actual, real medical emergencies; and

**WHEREAS**, a harsh and protracted quarantine of the presumptively healthy for the sake of the few medically vulnerable is not sustainable in a society, and inasmuch as Jackson County meets the conditions of the MI Safe Start Plan to Reopen Michigan, it should be permitted to return to our natural freedoms; and

**WHEREAS**, a May 18, 2020 communication from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services directs that under Executive Orders 2020-69, 2020-71, 2020-91 and 2020-92, local Health Departments and law enforcement *shall* report to an appropriate licensing agency any violations of the above noted Executive orders; and

WHEREAS, in said communication from MDHHS, law enforcement is encouraged to "...bar access to businesses and operations that fail to comply..." with the above noted Executive Orders; and

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Jackson County Board of Commissioners refuses to participate in such license reporting requirements or barring access to businesses and operations that fail to comply with the continuing Executive Orders; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Jackson County Board of Commissioners directs the Administrator/Controller to notify department heads that no funds or resources under the control of the Board of Commissioners are to be expended for such enforcement action; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in order to protect the safety, welfare and rights of our County residents and businesses, and to state clearly our desire to reopen our community as soon as possible, the Jackson County Board of Commissioners, believing that it is inappropriate to indiscriminately lock areas whose demographics and cases are so dissimilar to the areas that were so badly affected, hereby requests the reopening Region 7 in the Governor's MI Safe Start Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Jackson County Clerk is hereby directed to transmit copies of this resolution to Governor Whitmer, State Representative Alexander and Lightner and Senate Majority Leader Mike Shirkey.

BE IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, which this Board affirms its support for the Jackson County Sheriff and the Jackson County Prosecuting Attorney's use of sound legal discretion and supports the continued measured, thoughtful and humane approach in the enforcement of the prohibitions issued by the Governor.

This resolution was adopted by the Jackson County Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting held at the American 1 Event Center located at 128 West Ganson St., Jackson Michigan, Jackson County Michigan, by an affirmative vote of no less than FIVE of the members of the Jackson County Board of Commissioners who are serving on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2020.

> James E. Shotwell, Jr. Chairperson Jackson County Board of Commissioners

June 2, 2020

STATE OF MICHIGAN ) ss. COUNTY OF JACKSON

I, Amanda Kirkpatrick, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the County of Jackson, Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a Resolution adopted by the County Board of Commissioners of the County of

Resolution No. 06-20.19 Jackson, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on June 2, 2020 at which meeting a quorum was present and remained throughout and that an original thereof is on file in the records of the County. I further certify that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act No. 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

Amanda Kirkpatrick, County Clerk

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