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## RESOLUTION NO: 20/0317 DECLARATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY IN CHISAGO COUNTY

**WHEREAS**, Chisago County is experiencing the COVID-19 Pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, response and support to affected individuals, communities, medical systems, businesses and government has caused significant impact to the County as a whole; and

**WHEREAS**, subject matter experts have determined that protective measures must be undertaken to reduce the impact of COVID-19 and activity will be beyond the usual resources of Chisago County; and

**WHEREAS**, Minnesota Statutes Chapter 12.29 authorizes the Chair of the Chisago County Board of Commissioners to sign a Declaration of Local Emergency in Chisago County valid for up to 72 hours after which an open meeting of the Board of County Commissioners will be needed to continue this Declaration; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chisago County Director of Emergency Management recommends that the Chisago County Board of Commissioners declare that a local state of emergency exists in Chisago County; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, I, Ben Montzka, Chair of the Chisago County Board of Commissioners declare Chisago County to be in a local state of emergency effective March 17, 2020 due to the ongoing and expected response to and recovery from COVID-19 and direct the County Administrator and the Director of Emergency Management to coordinate such actions and request such state and/or federal assistance as needed to protect lives and public and private property in Chisago County and the recovery of the County from the impacts of this situation to the extent practicable and allowed by the law, ordinance, and charter; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that I direct the County Administrator and Director of Emergency Management to ensure a formal request for board action to be put forward to an open meeting of the Board of Commissioners as required by law.

Whereupon the resolution was **declared** and **adopted**.

**Adopted: March 17, 2020**

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

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Ben Montzka  
Chair, County Board of Commissioners

