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EXECUTIVE ORDER

On March 22, 2020, the Board of Commissioners of Henry County, Indiana ("Board") enacted Ordinance 2020-1-3-12 ("Ordinance"), under which the Board declared that a disaster emergency existed and, acting under the authority granted pursuant to Indiana Code § 10-14-3-22, directed the closing of businesses and placed restrictions on the numbers of persons that may gather.

On March 23, 2020, the Governor of Indiana ("Governor") issued Executive Order 20-08 directing the closure of "Non-Essential Business and Operations" and prohibiting any gatherings of more than ten (10) persons.

On April 6, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order 20-18, which provided further restrictions and conditions on the operation of businesses and other public areas and expressly authorized local authorities to impose more restrictive conditions than those set forth in the Executive Orders.

On May 1, 2020, the Governor announced a plan modifying the restrictions set forth in previously imposed Executive Orders. The modified restrictions become effective on May 4, 2020.

The Board wishes to align the restrictions imposed in its Ordinance with the Executive Orders issued by the Governor. To accomplish that objective, the Board hereby directs that any provision in Ordinance 2020-1-1-3-12 that conflicts with the Governor's modified restrictions shall not be enforced. In particular, the Board directs that no action to enforce the Ordinance shall be initiated against any person or business engaged in the following activities on or after May 4, 2020:

- 1. A gathering of twenty five (25) or fewer persons (including without limitation funeral services) provided that proper social distancing measures are utilized at all times;
- 2. Any manufacturer, industrial operation, or other infrastructure that has not been operating, if any, provided that such operation follows all applicable OSHA and CDC guidelines;
- 3. Public libraries operating in accordance with their own policies and CDC guidelines; and
- 4. Retail and commercial business operating at 50% capacity or less and utilizing CDC social distancing requirements in the operation of the business.

The remaining provisions of the Ordinance shall continue in effect and shall be addressed by the Board during its meeting on May 6, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Henry County's Travel Status is hereby changed from "Watch" (Orange) to "Advisory" (Yellow).

Nothing in this Executive Order should be construed to prohibit the Henry County Health Department from taking any action authorized under Indiana Code § 16-41-9-1.5, *et.seq.* to limit the spread of communicable disease.

This Executive Order is entered pursuant to the provisions of Indiana Code § 10-14-3-22.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF HENRY COUNTY, INDIANA

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Dated: May 1, 2020