

# Montgomery County Commission

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## **Declaration of a Disaster Emergency by the Montgomery County Commission**

**WHEREAS**, a novel coronavirus (also known as Covid -19) emerged in Wuhan, China began infecting humans in December 2019 and since has spread worldwide, including the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, the World Health Organization and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention “CDC” have declared COVID-19 a pandemic and the US Department of Health and Human Services “HHS” has declared COVID-19 creates a public health emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, Montgomery County works closely in collaboration with federal, state, the Montgomery County Health Department and other public safety agencies to monitor and plan for the containment and subsequent mitigation of Covid-19; and

**WHEREAS**, it is anticipated a high percentage of those affected by COVID-19 will experience mild flu-like symptoms, COVID-19 is a disease capable of causing severe illness or loss of life, to our national population, and is extremely dangerous to those individuals with preexisting medical conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, it is critical to prepare for and respond to pandemic emergencies in the County and to closely work with the Montgomery County Health Department in the implementation of emergency measures to assist in mitigating the spread of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, this emergency situation has already caused regional and local impacts and will most likely prompt additional local measures; and

**WHEREAS**, this imminent emergency throughout the nation has caused the Federal and State Governments to declare a State of Emergency the Montgomery County Commission concurs with their decision as to a state of emergency existing; and

**WHEREAS**, it is critical for local governments to be prepared for and respond to and be prepared to mitigate all states of emergency which could have significant adverse effects to our local population

**WHEREAS**, the threat of imminent disaster or emergency throughout Montgomery County is of such magnitude it is becoming essential for the county to implement emergency resources and mutual aide to those sectors of county and municipal governments of this county to enhance and expedite any activation of all applicable federal, state, county and municipal emergency response plans and resources.


**WHEREAS**, during this time of emergency the Montgomery County Commission in conjunction with and in full support of the Montgomery County Health Department hereby declares and supports the recommendation of national, state and local health officials to institute a “Stay at Home” recommendation for residents of Montgomery County.

**NOW THEREFORE**, until such a time as it is deemed safe for the residents of this county to resume normal aspects of daily living, pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Missouri the Montgomery County Commission hereby proclaims a disaster emergency throughout the county.

Passed this 30<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020 by the Montgomery County Commission

  
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Attest:



Kathy Hancock, Montgomery County Clerk