



# COUNTY OF KENOSHA

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## DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY IN KENOSHA COUNTY

BE IT KNOWN TO ALL PERSONS, THAT ON THIS DAY, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN MY OFFICE UNDER CHAPTER 166 OF THE WISCONSIN STATUTES AND SECTION 5.03 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF KENOSHA COUNTY,

IT IS HEREBY DECLARED A STATE OF EMERGENCY EXISTS IN THE COUNTY OF KENOSHA, FOR THE FOLLOWING SPECIFIC REASON(S):

The World Health Organization designated the 2019 novel Coronavirus outbreak as a Public Health Emergency of International Concern.

United States Health and Human Services Secretary Alex M. Azar II declared a Public Health Emergency for the entire United States to aid the nation's healthcare community in responding to the 2019 novel Coronavirus "COVID-19."

COVID-19 is a contagious, and at times fatal, respiratory disease.

The worldwide outbreak of COVID-19 and the effects of its extreme risk of person-to-person transmission throughout the United States, significantly affect the lives and health of our people, as well as the economy, and is a disaster that impacts the health, security and safety of the public.

I FIND THAT THE POTENTIAL FOR DISASTER EXISTS, WHICH REQUIRES EXTRAORDINARY MEASURES TO PROTECT THE HEALTH AND WELL BEING OF THE PEOPLE. DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY WILL FACILITATE AND EXPEDITE THE USE OF RESOURCES TO PROTECT PERSONS FROM THE IMPACTS OF THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 WHILE MAINTAINING CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS FOR THE COUNTY OF KENOSHA.

Dated this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020.

By:   
Jim Kreuser, Kenosha County Executive



*(To be filed with County Clerk on next business day to be presented to Board of Supervisors at next meeting).*