EXECUTIVE ORDER OF THE GRANT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ADDRESSING LOCAL DISASTER AND PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY AND TRAVEL ADIVISORY

WHEREAS, the State of Indiana by Governor Eric Holcomb declared a State of Emergency for the State of Indiana due to the Coronavirus ("COVID-19");

WHEREAS, the United States of America by President Donald Trump declared a National Emergency for the United States of America due to COVID-19;

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a Public Health Emergency of International Concern;

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a serious illness in which death is a possibility and is easily transmitted by person to person; and

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the Board of Commissioners of Grant County, Indiana ("Commissioners") to determine when it shall become necessary to declare a local disaster and/or public health emergency for Grant County and to activate the response and recovery aspects of all applicable disaster emergency plans, to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance under such plans and to issue any necessary local travel advisories in accordance with Indiana law.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GRANT COUNTY, INDIANA THAT:

- 1. Due to the potential impact of COVID-19 to the citizens of Grant County, Indiana the Commissioners declare that a local disaster and public health emergency exists in Grant County, Indiana.
- 2. Due to the local disaster and public health emergency Grant County is also being placed on a ORANGE local travel watch, which limits travel on Grant County roads to only essential travel such as to and from work, grocery, medical treatment or supplies, emergency situations and other essential services until further notice.
- 3. It is urged that all Grant County citizens follow all recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention including washing your hands, avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth, place distance between yourself and other people, stay home if you are sick, cover choughs and sneezes and clean and disinfect. Further any meeting shall also be limited to ten people or less per CDC recommendations.
- 4. The Commissioners affirm all actions taken by the President of the United States of America and the Governor of Indiana and acknowledge the hardship and sacrifice being imposed on the citizens of Grant County.

It is so ordered on March 19, 2020. 12:30 PM.

Mark Bardsley, President Grant County/Commissioners

Mike Burton

Ron Mowery

ATTEST:

Jim McWhirt, Grant County Auditor