

**BOARD OF HEALTH
COUNTY OF KITTITAS
STATE OF WASHINGTON**

RESOLUTION

NO. 2020-001

**AUTHORIZATION OF KITTITAS COUNTY HEALTH ORDER: MANDATORY
STAY-AT-HOME**

WHEREAS: On January 31, 2020, the United States Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar declared a public health emergency for COVID-19, beginning on January 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS: On February 29, 2020, Governor Inslee has proclaimed a State of Emergency exists in all counties in the state of Washington to include Kittitas County; and

WHEREAS: On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization announced that the COVID-19 outbreak can be characterized as a pandemic; and

WHEREAS: On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States of America declared a National State of Emergency concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Outbreak; and

WHEREAS: The CDC identifies the potential public health threat posed by COVID-19 both globally and in the United States as “high,” and has advised that person-to-person spread of COVID-19 will continue to occur globally, including within the United States; and

WHEREAS: Washington State Department of Health has now confirmed localized person-to-person spread of COVID-19 in Washington State, significantly increasing the risk of exposure and infection to Washington State’s and Kittitas County’s general public and creating an extreme public health risk that may spread quickly; and

WHEREAS: The Washington State and Kittitas County outbreak of COVID-19 and the effects of its extreme risk of person-to-person transmission throughout the County and Washington State significantly impacts the life and health of our people, as well as the economy of Kittitas County, and is a public disaster that affects life, health, property or the public peace; and

WHEREAS: The Kittitas County Board of Commissioners has determined there is an emergency present which necessitated the declaration of a state of emergency on March

6, 2020, which resulted in the activation of the emergency plans and utilization of emergency powers granted pursuant to RCW 38.52 and 36.40.180 or for the relief of a stricken community overtaken by a calamity, and RCW 36.32.270 and RCW 39.04.280, which allow for competitive bids to be waived in the event of the emergency, and Kittitas County Code; and

WHEREAS: The Kittitas County Health Officer has issued a Health Order requiring all Kittitas County residents stay at home or at their place of residence except as needed to perform essential tasks or to maintain continuity of operations of the federal critical infrastructure sectors, beginning Tuesday, March 24, 2020 at 12:01 a.m. and ending April 3, 2020 at 11:59 p.m., unless modified or rescinded, and reviewed to determine renewal every ten days.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Board of Health of Kittitas County, Washington hereby authorizes Kittitas County Health Order: Stay-at-Home that is attached hereto, and incorporated herein by reference.

ADOPTED this 23rd day of March, 2020

**BOARD OF HEALTH
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**



Chairman



Vice-Chairman



Board of Health Member

Approved as to form:

ATTEST:
CLERK OF THE BOARD

Deputy Prosecuting Attorney



Clerk

