

TOWN OF JAMESTOWN

PROCLAMATION OF THE MUNICIPAL EXECUTIVE NO. 2020-01

**DECLARING A LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY AND PROVIDING DIRECTIVES IN RESPONSE TO THE
CORONAVIRUS DISEASE: 2019 EPIDEMIC**

WHEREAS, There are times when circumstances exist such that an exigency occurs that could not reasonably be foreseen and that threatens the public health, welfare, or safety and requires immediate action; and

WHEREAS, The President of the United States and the Governor of the State of Indiana have issued emergency declarations in response to the Coronavirus("COVID-19") Pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Jamestown, Indiana, desires to protect the health of all citizens and to slow the rate of transmission of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Indiana issued Executive Order 20-08 ("EO-20-08") March 23, 2020, order all individuals currently living in Indiana to stay at home or their place of residence, except as allowed in EO 20-08, permitting only essential travel and essential activities as defined in the EO 20-08, requiring citizens to maintain the social distancing requirements, as defined in the EO 20-08, among other things; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Jamestown desires to take action to ensure the communication of and the compliance with the Governor's Executive Order 20-08; and

WHEREAS, Indiana Code 10-14-3-29 allows the Town Council President, as principal executive officer of the Town, to declare a local disaster emergency which serves to activate the response and recovery aspects of all applicable local or interjurisdictional disaster emergency plans and authorizes the furnishing of aid and assistance under the plans; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Jamestown, through its Town Council President as the principal executive officer now desires to issue a finding and determination that an emergency exists sufficient to support the declaration of a local disaster emergency, all pursuant to IC-10-14-3-29;

NOW THEREFORE, be it Proclaimed and declared by the Town Council President of the Town of Jamestown, Boone County, Indiana as follows:

Section 1. That pursuant to IC 10-1410-3-29, there now exists a local disaster emergency in the Town of Jamestown, Boone County, Indiana. With the approval of the Town Council, this declaration of a local disaster emergency shall continue and be in effect until a further declaration is issued.

Section 2. That this declaration shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly in the office of the Clerk-Treasurer of the Town of Jamestown;

Section 3. That the effect of this declaration of a local disaster emergency is to: (1) activate the response and recovery aspects of all applicable local or interjurisdictional disaster emergency plans; and (2) authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance under the plans if available and necessary;

Section 4. All residents of the Town of Jamestown are advised to become familiar with and maintain compliance with all of the Governor of Indiana’s Executive Orders, including the most recent EO 20-08 which orders all individuals currently living in Indiana to stay at home or their place of residence, except as allowed in EO 20-08, permitting only essential travel and essential activities as defined in the EO 20-08, requiring citizens to maintain the social distancing requirements, as defined in the EO 20-08, among other things; and

Section 5. That all Town-owned facilities will be closed to the public immediately and until further notice with exception of the public’s access to their mailboxes which are located in the Jamestown Municipal Building and can be accessed during the hours of 8:00 to 4:00. However, all citizens accessing their mailboxes are directed to maintain compliance with the social distancing requirements as illustrated in EO 20-08, which include maintaining social distancing of at least six (6) feet from any other person;

Section 6. That all non-essential Town employees are directed to work from home as they are able and refrain from coming into their work station, and these employees shall continue to be paid pursuant to the guidelines in Ordinance 2020 -06;

Section 6 That as a result of this declaration all public offices and employees of the Town of Jamestown must exercise utmost diligence in the discharge of the duties required of them during the declared emergency and in the execution of emergency laws, regulations, and directives, whether Federal, state or local.

Section 7. That all residents are called upon and directed to comply with all emergency measures, to cooperate with public officials and disaster service forces in executing emergency operations plans, and to obey and comply with lawful direction of properly identified officers.

BE IT SO PROCLAIMED, DECLARED and ORDERED, pursuant to and under the authority of IC 10-14-3-29. Entered this ____ day of _____, 2020, by the Town Council President of the Town of Jamestown, Boone County, Indiana. Filed with the Clerk-Treasurer on this ____ day of _____ 2020.

Town of Jamestown, Indiana

Dave Phelps, Town Council President

Affirmed By:

Chassity Hawkins, Town Council Member

Carol “Cookie” Leeke, Town Council Member

Attest:

Catrina Cook, Clerk-Treasurer