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Executive Order 20-01

Declaration of State of Emergency

WHEREAS, On January 31, 2020, The United States Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar declared a public health emergency for the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), beginning January 27, 2020 and on March 6, the Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Andy Beshear, declared a state of emergency in the Commonwealth of Kentucky due confirmed cases of COVID-19; and;

WHEREAS, Governor Beshear has implemented measures to slow the spread of COVID-19, including the closure of Kentucky's schools and recommendations to cancel or postpone large group events and activities; and

WHEREAS, the planning and preparedness of state and local agencies for a COVID-19 public health emergency in Henderson County is a concern to all our citizens; and

WHEREAS, it is both appropriate and desirable to coordinate with federal, state and local agencies to attain the maximum effective response to the circumstances described herein;

Now, THEREFORE, I, Brad Schneider, Judge Executive of Henderson County, by authority vested in me by KRS Chapter 39A.100(2), do hereby declare that a State of Emergency exists in Henderson County for the period 12:00 p.m. March 24, 2020 until rescinded and direct that;

1. The local Emergency Operations Plan shall be fully executed;
2. The Henderson County Emergency Management Director, Kenny Garrett shall direct The Henderson County Disaster & Emergency Services Group to provide such assistance as can be delivered from available resources and shall coordinate with Kentucky Division of Emergency Management, Kentucky Department of Public Health, Green River District Health Department;
3. All agencies of Henderson City and County shall cooperate to the fullest extent with The Henderson Office of Emergency Management and shall provide such assistance as may be required for response to this emergency.

4. Under this State of Emergency, as provided in KRS 39A.100 (2), the County Judge Executive can waive procedures and formalities otherwise required by the law pertaining to; a) performance of public work, b) entering into contracts, c) incurring obligations, d) employment of permanent and temporary workers, e) utilization of volunteer workers, f) rental of equipment, g) appropriation and h) expenditure of public funds.



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