

## **Resolution No. 3-18-2020**

### **Resolution Declaring COVID-19 As an Imminent Threat to the Health and Safety of Sanpete County Residents**

WHEREAS, On January 21, 2020, the Utah Department of Health activated it's Department Operations Center in response to the evolving COVID-19 global outbreak. The Utah Department of Health recognizes COVID-19 as an imminent threat to the health and safety of the residents of Utah; and

WHEREAS, On *February 28, 2020*, the State Emergency Operations Center raised its activation level to *Level 3 – Elevated Action*. The Utah Division of Emergency Management and The Utah Department of Health activated a Joint Information System for public information; 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, The Utah Department of Health recognizes that confirmed community transmission in the United States significantly increases the risk of exposure and infection to the State of Utah's general public and creating an extreme public health risk that may spread quickly; and

WHEREAS, Due to the identification of COVID-19 cases in Utah, COVID-19 has created conditions that are or are likely to be beyond the control of local resources and require the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat; and

WHEREAS, Sanpete County has determined that there is an imminent and proximate threat to public health from the introduction of COVID-19 in Sanpete County and has concurrently declared a Local Health Emergency; and

WHEREAS, the mobilization of local resources, ability to coordinate interagency response, accelerate procurement of vital supplies, and use mutual aid will be critical to successfully responding to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, these conditions do create a “State of Emergency” within the intent of the Disaster Response and Recovery Act found in Title 53, Chapter 2a of the Utah Code Annotated 1953, as amended; and necessitate that Sanpete County proclaim the existence of a local emergency,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED by the Sanpete County Commission that a local emergency exists and shall remain in effect for no longer than 30 days unless ratified by the Sanpete County Commission and continued for up to an additional 30 days.

APPROVED BY THE SANPETE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONER on the 18 day of  
march, 2020.



Attest:

Sandy Neill  
Sanpete County Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Kevin Daniels  
Sanpete County Attorney

Scott Bartholomew

Chair, Sanpete County Board of Commissioners

Voting History:

Commissioner Bartholomew - yes

Commissioner Lund - yes

Commissioner Sunderland - yes