

**EMERGENCY ORDER #20-03 OF THE RENO COUNTY  
LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER**

May 29, 2020

***Applicable within the entirety of Reno County, Kansas***

This Emergency Public Health Order is effective the 30<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020, at 12:01 A.M. to mitigate the spread of the novel coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) epidemic in Reno County, Kansas pursuant to the authority provided in K.S.A. 65-119, and other applicable laws or regulations.

**WHEREAS**, the Local Health Officer is authorized and required, pursuant to K.S.A. 65-119 to immediately exercise and maintain a supervision over known or suspected cases of any infectious or contagious disease during its continuance, and to issue orders seeing that all such cases are properly handled and that the provisions of the Kansas public health laws as to isolation, quarantine, and disinfection are duly enforced; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 24, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners of Reno County, Kansas issued a proclamation declaring A STATE OF LOCAL DISASTER EMERGENCY FOR RENO COUNTY, KANSAS relative to the COVID-19 infectious and contagious disease outbreak for sixty days, which said declaration was extended for an additional 60 days from and after May 18, 2020 by Reno County Resolution No. 2020-12 adopted on May 12, 2020: and

**WHEREAS**, COVID-19 is a respiratory disease that spread easily from person to person and may result in serious illness or death, has been confirmed in Kansas and Reno County, resulting in serious illness and multiple deaths to date in Kansas; and

**WHEREAS**, such conditions endanger health, safety, and welfare of persons and property within Reno County, Kansas; and

**WHEREAS**, the worldwide outbreak of COVID-19 and the resulting epidemic in Kansas and Reno County continue to threaten the life and health of our citizens and visitors as well as the vitality of the economy and remains a public disaster affecting life, health, property, and the public peace; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of the State of Kansas declared a STATE OF DISASTER EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION ON May 26, 2020 in order "to protect Kansans from the economic consequences of COVID-19 and the imminent threat of future outbreaks"; and

**WHEREAS**, previous Emergency Orders of the Reno County Local Health Officer Nos. 2020-01 and 2020-02 have expired, and while Reno County has not experienced a positive confirmation as to persons contracting COVID-19 in Reno County, Kansas during the two week period preceding the issuance of this Order, it is deemed necessary by the Local Health Officer in consultation with the Reno County Board of Health to issue this Order to assist Reno County to recover economically and to prevent the imminent threat of further COVID-19 surges.



**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED** by the Reno County Local Health Officer, pursuant to the above authorities that:

1. Guidance for Mass Gatherings: All persons are strongly encouraged to follow the guidance attached to this order (Exhibit A).
2. Guidance for Individuals: All individuals are strongly encouraged to follow guidance attached to this order (Exhibit A).
3. Guidance for Employers/Business: Employers and Businesses are strongly encouraged to follow guidance attached to this order (Exhibit A).
4. Guidance for Travel: All persons are strongly encouraged to follow the guidance attached to this order (Exhibit A).
5. Nothing in this order shall restrict, limit, or supersede the authority of either the Secretary of Health and Environment's or the Reno County Health Officer to make isolation, quarantine, or other orders restricting movement as necessary to respond to escalating or worsening conditions within Reno County.

IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 29<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY, 2020.

*Nicholas Baldetti*

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Reno County Local Health Officer



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