## RESOLUTION NO. Z0 - /2

AN ORDER RESCINDING THE JULY 6, 2020 ORDER EXEMPTING RUSSELL COUNTY, KANSAS FROM EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 20-52 AND MAKING RUSSELL COUNTY SUBJECT TO SAID EXECUTIVE ORDER REQUIRING THE USE OF FACE MASKS IN RUSSELL COUNTY, KANSAS

NOW ON THIS 20<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020, the Board of County Commissioner of Russell County, Kansas, reconsiders their Public Health Order issued on July 6, 2020, as well as Executive Order No. 20-52 issued by Kansas Governor Laura Kelly on July 2, 2020.

AND WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners finds that a disaster has occurred as a result of the Coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) and the confirmed outbreak and person-to-person spread of COVID-19 in the United States of America, the State of Kansas, and Russell County.

AND WHEREAS, as a result of the Coronavirus pandemic, Kansas Governor Laura Kelly issued Executive Order No. 20-52 requiring masks or other face coverings in public.

AND WHEREAS, on July 6, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners exempted the County from Executive Order No. 20-52, and issued an order relating to public health that included provisions that were less stringent than those included in Executive Order No. 20-52.

AND WHEREAS, 379 cases of COVID-19 have now been confirmed in Russell County, Kansas as of November 16, 2020, including 91 active cases, 31 hospitalizations, and 8 deaths.

AND WHEREAS, as a result of the recent surge of cases in Russell County, Kansas, the Russell County Local Health Officer now recommends that the Board of County Commissioners rescind the order issued on July 6, 2020, thereby allowing Executive Order No, 20-52 to become effective in Russell County, Kansas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED by the Board of County Commissioners of Russell County, Kansas, that:

- 1. The Public Health Order issued by the Russell County Board of County Commissioners on July 6, 2020, is hereby rescinded.
- 2. Governor Laura Kelly's Executive Order No. 20-52 shall immediately become effective in Russell County, Kansas.
- 3. This Public Health Order shall be reviewed by the Board of County Commissioners on December 21, 2020.

ORDER BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF RUSSELL COUNTY, KANSAS, THIS  $20^{\text{TH}}$  DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2020.

## IT IS SO ORDERED this 20th day of November, 2020.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF RUSSELL COUNTY, KANSAS

Donald Boxberger, Chairman

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Steve Reinhardt, Member

Aaron Steinert, Member

ATTEST:

Mary K. Nuss

County Clerk