MARSHALL COUNTY RESOLUTION 2020-37

CLOSING AND RESTRICTING PUBLIC ACCESS TO COUNTY FACILITIES

WHEREAS, the Marshall County Board of Commissioners issued a Public Health Disaster Emergency Declaration, Marshall County Resolution 2020-02 on March 20, 2020, declaring a public health emergency in the county and invoking and declaring those portions of Indiana Code applicable to the conditions causing the issuance of the declaration to be in full force and effect in the county for the exercise of the necessary emergency authority for the protection of lives and property of the people of Marshall County; and

WHEREAS the Marshall County Board of Commissioners extended the original Public Health Disaster Emergency Declaration through May 21, 2020 by subsequent extension resolutions; and

WHEREAS, the Marshall County Board of Commissioners issued a Public Health Disaster Emergency Declaration, Marshall County Resolution 2020-32 on October 20, 2020 as a result of the resurgence of the Coronavirus disease, COVID-19 in Marshall County which Public Health Disaster Emergency Declaration has been extended by Marshall County Resolution 2020-33; Marshall County Resolution 2020-34; and Marshall County Resolution 2020-35; and

WHEREAS, the Marshall County Board of Commissioners has previously restricted access to county facilities in Marshall County Resolution 2020-06; 2020-17; 2020-21; and 2020-24; and

WHEREAS, as of the date of this resolution, the resurgence of the COVID-19 outbreak has caused an increase in positive COVID-19 cases and COVID-19 related deaths in Marshall County so as to strain the entire healthcare structure in the county and in the State of Indiana and to further put at risk county elected officials, county appointed officials, and county employees;

NOW THEREFORE, the Marshall County Board of Commissioners declares and orders that effective this date, all Marshall County facilities shall restrict public access. The public business in said buildings will be limited to essential services only by appointment due to the current health concerns. This restriction of public access is to limit the impact of the virus and protect the public as well as to protect county elected officials, county appointed officials, and county employees.

If the public has the need for an essential service, they may contact the Marshall County office via telephone or email and make arrangements with that office for limited access to Marshall County facilities for said essential services and under proper precautions.

This policy applies to all county facilities except the County Courts. Persons ordered to appear in the Marshall County courts or who are scheduled to appear for essential court proceedings are required to attend with the restrictions in place as have been previously ordered by the courts including the requirement to wear face coverings. County business in the Marshall County Clerk's office is limited to those essential services related to court proceedings.

All public offices and employees of Marshall County are hereby directed to exercise the utmost diligence in the discharge of duties required of them for the duration of the emergency and in execution of emergency laws, regulations and directives whether state or local.

This restriction of public facilities shall stay in effect until amended or rescinded by the Marshall County Board of Commissioners.

IT IS FURTHER DECLARED AND ORDERED that the County Museum and the County Jail shall remain closed to the public.

This order is effective at 8:00 a.m. on November 16, 2020.

ADOPTED in compliance with Marshall County Resolution 2020-32 this 13th day of November 2020.

MARSHALL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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