

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF NEW KENT
VIRGINIA**

R-17-20

At the budget retreat meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of New Kent in the Providence Forge Recreation Center in Providence Forge, Virginia, on the 13th day of March, 2020:

<u>Present:</u>	<u>Vote:</u>
Thomas W. Evelyn	Aye
C. Thomas Tiller, Jr.	Aye
Ron Stiers	Aye
John N. Lockwood	Aye
Patricia A. Paige	Aye

Motion was made by Mr. Tiller, which carried 5:0, to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION DECLARING A LOCAL EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, On March 12, 2020 the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia declared a state of Emergency under the laws of the Commonwealth; and

WHEREAS, On March 13, 2020 the Coordinator of Emergency Management has declared a local emergency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 30, Article VIII of the New Kent County Code and the Code of Virginia a local emergency has been declared due to the occurrence of an outbreak of a respiratory illness referred to as the coronavirus (COVID-19), which has spread from Wuhan, Hubei Province, China to more than 80 other locations internationally, including the Commonwealth that occurred in the month of December 2019; and

WHEREAS, New Kent County may face a condition of extreme peril to the lives, safety and property of the residents of New Kent County. As a result of this extreme peril, the proclamation of the existence of an emergency is necessary to permit the full powers of the government to deal effectively with this condition of peril.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Virginia Code 44-146.21; the Coordinator of Emergency Management is requesting confirmation of the local emergency from the New Kent County Board of Supervisors; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY CONFIRMED by the Board of Supervisors, New Kent County, Virginia that a local emergency pursuant to Virginia Code 44-146.21, now exists throughout New Kent County, Virginia; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED that during the existence of this emergency, the powers, functions, and duties of the Director of Emergency Management and the Emergency Management organization and functions of New Kent County shall be those prescribed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia and the ordinances, resolutions and approved plans of New Kent County in order to mitigate the effects of said emergency.



Rodney Hathaway
County Administrator/ Clerk
New Kent County Board of Supervisors



Patricia Paige
Chairwoman
New Kent County Board of Supervisors



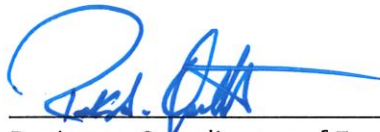
Richard A. Opett
Coordinator of Emergency Management
County of New Kent (See attached designation)

DECLARATION OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY

The Coordinator of Emergency Management has declared a local emergency pursuant to Virginia Code §44.146.21 and based upon the delegation of authority from the Director of Emergency Management. Communication will be made with the director of Emergency Management as soon as practicable.

This declaration is due to the outbreak of a respiratory illness referred to as the coronavirus (COVID-19), which has spread from Wuhan, Hubei Province, China to more than 80 other locations internationally, including the Commonwealth that occurred in the month of December 2019. Given recent confirmed occurrences of COVID-19 within the Commonwealth and in neighboring states, as well as information from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, it is anticipated that the disease will spread.

The County of New Kent has the potential with the current spread of the disease to face a condition of extreme peril to the lives, safety and property of the residents of New Kent County and the proclamation of the existence of an emergency is necessary to permit the full powers of the government to deal effectively with this condition of peril.



Designee-Coordinator of Emergency Management
County of New Kent (See attached designation)

3/13/2020

Date



Witness

3/13/2020

Date

1. The Coordinator of Emergency Management will request a Resolution of the Board of Supervisors ("Board") at their next regularly scheduled meeting which will be held on March 13, 2020.
2. The Coordinator of Emergency Management declared the local emergency prior to the Board of Supervisors meeting listed below. It is preferable that the Board of Supervisors convene to declare a local emergency; however, if exigent circumstances exist, the Virginia Code Section §44.146.21 entitled "Declaration of Local Emergency," allows the Director of Emergency Management to declare a local emergency and have this decision confirmed at a later date.