

**COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY
RESOLUTION# 2020-15**

**DECLARATION CONTINUING A STATE OF LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY FOR
THOMAS COUNTY, KANSAS:**

WHEREAS, on the 31st day of July, 2020 the Board of County Commissioners of Thomas County, Kansas declared there continues a state of local public health emergency in Thomas County, Kansas due to COVID-19.

WHEREAS, on March 31, 2020 the Board of County Commissioners of Thomas County, Kansas approved Resolution # 20-08, which declared a state of local public health emergency of Thomas County, Kansas.

WHEREAS, as of this date, in Thomas County there have been thirty-two reported positive cases of COVID-19, including zero deaths and four hospitalizations with a likely second wave of COVID-19 cases expected in the Fall;

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic and crisis is still ongoing and such conditions remain to create significant impact to everyday life and/or endanger the public health, safety and welfare of persons and property within the borders of Thomas County, Kansas.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Thomas County, Kansas:

That the state of local public health emergency in Thomas County, Kansas is declared to continue to exist.

That this state of local public health emergency in Thomas County, Kansas is effective as of July 31, 2020 and shall continue and remain in effect until rescinded, by action of the Board of County Commissioners of Thomas County, Kansas.

That the response and recovery aspects of all local disaster plans which are applicable to Thomas County, Kansas and shall initiate the rendering of aid and assistance thereunder.

That any rights or powers lawfully exercised, or any actions taken pursuant to local disaster emergency plans shall continue and have full force and effect as authorized by law unless modified or terminated in the manner prescribed by law.

**RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THOMAS COUNTY, KANSAS THIS 31ST
DAY OF JULY 2020.**

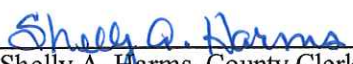


Mike Baughn, Chairman



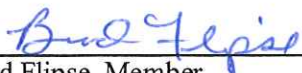
Francis Britton, Member

ATTEST:



Shelly A. Harms, County Clerk





Brad Flipse, Member