RESOLUTION NUMBER: 2020- 9

A RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE OPERATIONS OF KIOWA COUNTY IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 IN KIOWA COUNTY, KANSAS

WHEREAS, The COVID-19 disease, also known as the novel coronavirus, is a respiratory disease that spread easily from person to person and may result in serious illness or death, has been confirmed in multiple Kansas Counties, resulting in serious illness and multiple deaths to date in Kansas; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Kiowa County, Kansas desires to put into place a strategic plan to ensure the continued provision of essential county government services while also taking actions to mitigate the spread of the COVID-19 disease; and

WHEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF KIOWA COUNTY, KANSAS, that the County shall immediately take the following actions:

- 1. With the exception of the Kiowa County Sheriff's Office, the Kiowa County Health Department and the Kiowa County Road and Bridge Department; all employees for the remaining Kiowa County departments, other than department supervisors for whom necessity requires them to be physically present, will be required to not report in person for work unless otherwise directed by their department supervisor.
- 2. That all Kiowa County employees will continue to be paid for their scheduled hours.
- That all Kiowa County employees not required to report in person for work, shall as required and directed by their department supervisor perform such work from home as is deemed necessary and advisable.
- 4. That all Kiowa County employees not required to report in person for work, shall be on call during their regularly scheduled workday to report in person to work if their department supervisor determines that necessity requires them to perform their duties in person.
- 5. That the Kiowa County Sheriff's Office, Kiowa County Health Department, and Kiowa County road and Bridge Department shall be deemed to be essential operations of the County.
- 6. That the supervisors of the Kiowa County Sheriff's Office, Kiowa County Health Department and Kiowa County Road and Bridge Department are hereby permitted to allow those employees that the department supervisor determines should not be required to report in person to continue their department's essential operations to be given paid leave.

Passed and Adopted this 27th day of March, 2020

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF KIOWA COUNTY, KANSAS:

Ron Freeman, Chairman

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John Bertram, Vice-Chairman

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Attest Kristi Cooper, County Clerk