

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-7

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING LESS RESTRICTIVE MEANS THAN KANSAS
GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDERS No. 20-52.

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Board of Morton County Commissioners that the Governor's Executive Order 20-52 are meant to address an issue state-wide, and without specific reference to Morton County's unique circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Morton County Commissioners has consulted with the local health officer and other local health officials regarding the governor's executive orders referenced above; and

WHEREAS, following such consultation the Board of Morton County Commissioners has determined that implementation of the full scope of the provisions of such Executive Orders is an excessive request to mandate all of the public to protect the health and safety of the county at this time; and

WHEREAS, Morton County has only had 7 cases of COVID-19 and the spread is extremely limited compared to some other Kansas counties; and

WHEREAS, the Kansas legislative body passed House Bill 2016 on June 4, 2020 and the same was signed by the Governor of Kansas and enrolled, and later published in the Kansas Register on June 9, 2020, and such bill gives to the Board of County Commissioners of the many counties of Kansas the authority to, in consultation with their public health officer and other health officials, the authority to issue orders relating to public health that provide less stringent requirements than provided for in any executive orders issued by the Kansas Governor.

NOW, THEREFORE, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF HOUSE BILL 2016, PASSED AND ENROLLED ON JUNE 4, 2020 AND PUBLISHED IN THE KANSAS REGISTER ON JUNE 9, 2020, AS IT MODIFIED K.S.A. 48-925(h), BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF MORTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING IN SPECIAL SESSION, THIS 3rd DAY OF July, 2020, THAT:

The Board of Commissioners of Morton County hereby limits the requirements of Executive Orders No. 20-52, and Morton County will not mandate the use of face masks in public spaces.

This limitation of the Governor's executive orders is subject to change at the discretion of the Board of Commissioners of Morton County based upon the recommendations of the Morton County public health officer and other health officials.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MORTON COUNTY, KANSAS, that the above resolution shall take effect July 3, 2020.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Morton County, Kansas on the 3rd day of July, 2020

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MORTON COUNTY, KANSAS

By: Bill Light
Bill Light, Commissioner

By: Jim Tucker
Jim Tucker, Commissioner

By: J.W. Finn
J.W. Finn, Commissioner



ATTEST:

Gina Shores
Gina Shores, County Clerk