

Whereas Sullivan County and its citizens have been impacted by and are immediately threatened by the Coronavirus/COVID-19 and believe it is imperative to take action at this time in an effort to protect citizens and contain the spread of the virus to the greatest extent possible, and

Whereas Sullivan County, pursuant to IC 36-8-2-4, is authorized to regulate conduct that might endanger the public health, safety or welfare, an ORDER is hereby made as follows:

- (1) Through May 1, 2020, effective immediately, there shall be no public or private gatherings of more than ten (10) people and all citizens are to attempt at all possible times to maintain a social distance of six (6) feet or more from others. The 10 person restriction does not apply to work places so long as the social distancing guidelines are followed and internal safeguards are put in place with regard to cleaning and social distancing.
- (2) All school buildings and school facilities are to remain closed through May 1, 2020. School facilities may remain open in order to provide emergency meals on a takeout basis.
- (3) All gyms or workout facilities in Sullivan County are to remain closed through May 1, 2020.
- (4) All branches of the county libraries are to remain closed through May 1, 2020.
- (5) All museums, entertainment, and recreation establishments, including but not limited to bowling alleys, ballparks, golf courses, are to remain closed through May 1, 2020.
- (6) Only those organizations providing critical essential services to citizens may remain open subject to further order.
Critical essential businesses that may remain open include, but are not limited to:
 - Essential City of Sullivan and Sullivan County government service offices
 - Grocery stores
 - Funeral homes
 - All health care service providers including doctor offices, hospitals, pharmacies, and therapy establishments
 - Banks, lending institutions, and all other related businesses
 - Gas stations and auto repair businesses
 - Convenience stores
 - “Dollar” stores
 - Daycare facilities
 - Restaurants and bars offering carry out, delivery and drive-up only
 - Utility and trash services
 - Airports
 - Postal services, Fed Ex, and UPS
 - Veterinarian offices
 - Home improvement/Hardware stores
 - Hotels and motels
 - Laundromats
 - Agricultural operations and pet stores
 - Legal services
 - Social service agencies
- (7) Bars and food establishments will continue to work under the requirement of carry out and delivery options only through May 1, 2020.
- (8) Sullivan County is hereby placed on “ORANGE/Travel Watch” status. Permitting travel to and from work or in emergency situations, or to essential services. Regardless, citizens are requested to stay off the roads unless necessary for such essential travel.

This is an ongoing and evolving public health crisis. There may be further restrictions.

The Sullivan County Commissioners ask that all citizens of the County personally maximize and observe all safety precautions and comply with the social distancing guideline at all gatherings, whether formal or informal, public or private.

The order is effective March 20, 2020

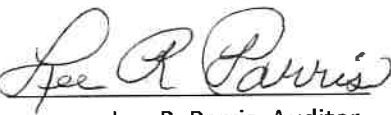
This Order shall be given prompt and general publicity and shall be filed promptly in the office of the Sullivan County Clerk.

Date: March 19, 2020

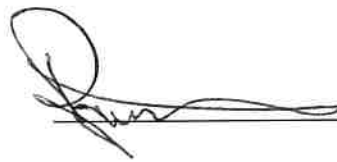


Robert Davis, President

Attest:



Lee R. Parris, Auditor



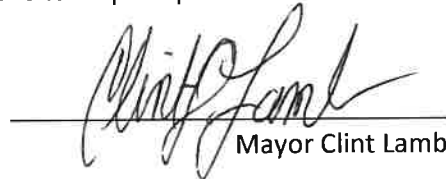
Ray E. McCammon



John Waterman Sr.

Supporting statement of City of Sullivan, Clint Lamb

In light of the heightened situation regarding the COVID-19 outbreak, The City of Sullivan joins Sullivan County Government leadership and Sullivan County Health Department officials in taking the strong and necessary precautions we feel are most appropriate to protect our residents and aggressively mitigate the potential spread of the virus. Please join us and adhere to these restrictions to help keep Sullivan and Sullivan County as safe and healthy as possible.



Mayor Clint Lamb

Supporting statement Sullivan County Health Department, Dr. Michael Gamble

Indiana is currently experiencing a public health emergency. The measures being instituted may seem difficult and excessive, but they are necessary to help limit the spread of COVID-19 within our community. This effort will require the participation of all Sullivan County residents and we sincerely appreciate all the sacrifices that will be made. The Sullivan County Health Department recognizes the excellent effort of this community thus far. Collaboration and community support between city and county government, first responder agencies, schools, and many other organizations has been commendable.



Dr. Michael Gamble

Supporting statement Sullivan County Emergency Management Director, Jim B. Pirtle

As your Local Emergency Management Director, I encourage all citizens of Sullivan County to follow what our county leaders have put into effect for the well being of everyone. It is in our best interest to protect and keep everyone's health safe from the COVID-19 virus. We appreciate your patience in this very difficult time. We are mitigating this on a daily basis to safeguard our citizens from spreading the virus. Thank you for your support and understanding.


_____ Jim B. Pirtle

