

**TOWN OF LIBERTY GROVE
RESOLUTION 16-20**

EXTENSION OF HEALTH EMERGENCY

THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF LIBERTY GROVE DOES HEREBY DECLARE AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, The worldwide pandemic attributable to the COVID-19 virus has been found to be present in the State of Wisconsin and also the County of Door

WHEREAS, Door County and Liberty Grove residents are particularly susceptible to the virus due to an aged population;

WHEREAS, The Door County and Liberty Grove area is a popular tourist destination and contains many seasonal residents, leading to an influx of people that could spread the virus;

WHEREAS, The Wisconsin Supreme Court has authored a decision which makes the Wisconsin Governor's "Safer at Home" unlawful and not able to be enforced, with the Governor and Wisconsin Legislature not able to put forth any rulings or guidelines to address this COVID-19 virus;

WHEREAS, Liberty Grove Resolution 2-20 declared a health emergency in the Town on March 17, 2020 which was extended for 30 days, extended for an additional 45 days, and subsequently extended another 154 days, and currently expires on December 31, 2020;

WHEREAS, In order to continue the protection of the health and well-being of its residents, the Town of Liberty Grove must avail itself of all resources at its disposal to respond to and contain the presence of COVID-19 in the Town;

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Town Board of the Town of Liberty Grove, Door County, Wisconsin, to extend the health emergency as declared in Resolutions 2-20, 7-20, and 9-20 to continue as follows:

1. Pursuant to the powers available under Wisconsin Statutes Sections 323.11, 323.14, 323.15 and all other applicable provisions of Wisconsin Law, a Public Health Emergency is hereby declared in the Town of Liberty Grove.
2. The Town of Liberty Grove is authorized under this declaration to make use of volunteer health practitioners to maintain and restore the health, safety, protection and welfare of persons and property within the Town.
3. The Town of Liberty Grove is authorized under this declaration to undertake whatever actions are necessary and expedient for the health, safety, protection and welfare of persons and property and in doing so may bar, restrict, or remove all unnecessary traffic, both vehicular and pedestrian, from the highways and Town streets. This includes hours of operation and limitations of occupancy for the Town businesses.

4. The Town of Liberty Grove may employ personnel, facilities, and other resources consistent with an emergency plan adopted to cope with the problems of local disasters.
5. John Lowry, Town chairman, and/or his designee is authorized to undertake and direct the activities outlined herein on behalf of the Town of Liberty Grove.
6. The period of this emergency declaration extension shall be limited to a 181-day sunset clause that may be extended or ended by order of the Liberty Grove Town Board, said 181 days to expire June 30, 2021 at 11:59 PM.

This resolution was adopted at a properly noticed meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Liberty Grove on the 2nd day of December, 2020.

John Lowry, Chairman

VOTE: Aye 5 Nay 0

ATTEST:

Anastasia Bell, Town Clerk