

A PROCLAMATION

STATE OF WISCONSIN



COUNTY OF WAUKESHA EXECUTIVE BRANCH

PROCLAMATION DECLARING STATE OF EMERGENCY IN WAUKESHA COUNTY REGARDING COVID-19

WHEREAS, in December 2019, a novel strain of the coronavirus now named Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) was detected and has spread throughout many countries, including the United States; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has declared a Public Health Emergency of International Concern; and the United States Department of Health and Human Services has declared a Public Health Emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the State of Wisconsin has declared the existence of a public health emergency, as defined in Section 323.02(16), Wisconsin Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the existence of confirmed cases of COVID-19 within Wisconsin, including within Waukesha County, constitutes a condition within the County posing an imminent threat of a disaster within the meaning of Chapter 323 of the Wisconsin Statutes that could impair medical care, health protection, and other critical systems of Waukesha County; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and expedient for the health, safety, protection, and welfare of persons within Waukesha County, that reasonable and prudent steps be taken to treat those infected with COVID-19 and to prevent, limit and contain the potential community spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, declaring a state of emergency will facilitate and expedite the use of resources to protect persons from the impacts of the spread of COVID-19 while ensuring continuity of critical operations within Waukesha County.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PAUL FARROW, County Executive of Waukesha County, by the authority vested in me pursuant to Sections 323.11 and 323.14(4)(b), Wisconsin Statutes, hereby **PROCLAIM** that a state of emergency now exists within Waukesha County in light of the public health threat posed by COVID-19 for a period of sixty (60) days or until modified by further proclamation or an action of the Waukesha County Board.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, Paul Farrow, Waukesha County Executive, hereby sign this proclamation and affix the seal of Waukesha County on the 13th day of March in the year two thousand and twenty.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Paul Farrow", is written over a horizontal line.

PAUL FARROW
County Executive