## TOWN OF GIBRALTAR RESOLUTION 2020-04 DECLARATION OF HEALTH EMERGENCY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF GIBRALTAR DOES HEREBY DECLARE AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, The infectious disease named COVID-19 has been identified in the State of Wisconsin as a disease which can spread through the community as a danger to public health and safety, and

WHEREAS, No cases of said disease have yet been diagnosed in the Town of Gibraltar-yet Town residents and visitors are at increasing risk of contracting said disease, and

WHEREAS, The World Health Organization has declared a Public Health Emergency of International Concern, and the US department of Health and Human Services has declared a Public Health Emergency, and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin Governor Anthony Evers has issued Executive Order #72 declaring a health emergency in response to the COVID-19 Coronavirus; and

WHEREAS, In order to protect the health and well-being of its residents, the Town of Gibraltar 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 Gibraltar, Door County, Wisconsin, 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 Gibraltar consistent with the statewide declaration of a public health emergency by the Governor.
- 2 The Town of Gibraltar 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 Gibraltar 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 As this declaration of health emergency is consistent with a similar declaration by the Governor applicable to the entire State of Wisconsin, the Town of Gibraltar may employ personnel, facilities, and other resources consistent with an emergency plan adopted to cope with the problems of local disasters.
- 5 Steve Sohns, Town chairman, and/or his designee is authorized to undertake and direct the activities outlined herein on behalf of the Town of Gibraltar.
- 6 The period of this emergency declaration shall be limited to a sixty (60) day sunset clause that may be extended or ended by order of the Gibraltar Town Board.

This resolution was adopted at a special meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Gibraltar this 18th day of March 2020.

Steve Sohns, Chairman

Vote: Aye <u>5</u> Nay <u>0</u>

Beth Hagen, Town Clerk