

**CITY OF POLSON
RESOLUTION 2020-#006**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF POLSON, DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on January 31, 2020 the United States Health and Human Services Secretary Alex M. Azar II declared a Public Health Emergency for the entire United States to aid the nation's healthcare community in responding to COVID-19 retroactive to January 27, 2020 and the World Health Organization declared a pandemic from the 2019 novel Coronavirus outbreak COVID-19 on March 11, 2020. COVID-19 is a contagious, and at times fatal, respiratory disease; and the effects of its extreme risk of person-to-person transmission throughout the United States significantly affects the lives and health of our people, as well as the economy; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Governor Bullock declared a State of Emergency for Montana related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, President Donald Trump declared a National Emergency related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, Lake County Montana declared a Lake County Public Health Emergency related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic and above declarations have and will continue to impact the City of Polson, Montana and may strain or exhaust pertinent available resources; and

WHEREAS, the Interim City Manager, as the principal executive officer of the City of Polson has determined that a disaster related to the spread of COVID-19 is occurring.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Commission of the City of Polson that an Emergency is hereby declared pursuant to Section 10-3-402 MCA and that pertinent provisions of the Lake County Emergency Operations Plan are in effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution be filed with the City Clerk, Lake County Clerk and Recorder and the Montana Disaster and Emergency Services Division in Helena.

Ayes 4 Nays Abstentions Absent 3

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 24th day of March, 2020.

(SEAL)

Paul Briney, Mayor

Wade Nash, Interim City Manager

ATTEST:

Cora E. Pritt, Clerk of the City of Polson