

**DECLARATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY
FOR THE COUNTY OF GRANT, OKLAHOMA
Resolution No. 2020-75**

WHEREAS, a novel coronavirus (now known as “SARS CoV-2”) emerged in Wuhan, China, began infecting humans in December 2019, and has since spread throughout the world, including the United States; and

WHEREAS, SARS CoV-2 is known to have the potential to cause Coronavirus Disease-2019 (COVID-19) in humans; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) has declared COVID-19 a “public health emergency of international concern,” and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (“HHS”) Secretary has declared that COVID-19 creates a public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020, the President of the United States Donald J. Trump declared a national health emergency in the United States as a result of the national spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020 the Governor of the State of Oklahoma J. Kevin Stitt issued Executive Order 2020-07 declaring an emergency caused by the impending threat of COVID-19 to the people of this State and the public’s peace, health, and safety; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020 the Governor of the State of Oklahoma J. Kevin Stitt issued Executive Order 2020-08, urging Oklahomans to follow *The President’s Coronavirus Guidelines for America*, which includes the recommendation to avoid gatherings in groups of more than ten (10) people; and

WHEREAS, emergency management measures are required to reduce the severity of this disaster and to protect the health, safety and welfare of affected resident and render emergency relief in Grant County Oklahoma; and

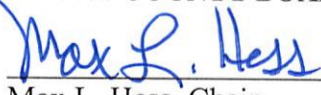
WHEREAS, We, the Board of County Commissioners of Grant County, Oklahoma, do find that the aforementioned conditions constitute a threat to the safety and welfare of the county, and create an emergency disaster situation within the meaning of Section 683.3, Oklahoma Emergency Management Act of 2003, as amended;

NOW, THEREFORE, We, the Grant County Board of Commissioners, acting under the power vested in us, do hereby declare Grant County to be a disaster areas, entitled to aid, relief and assistance and do hereby direct the implementation of the County Emergency Operations Plan.

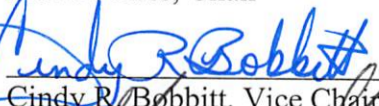
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hand and seal to this instrument on this 23rd day of March in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty, at Medford, Oklahoma.

This Declaration shall take effect immediately.

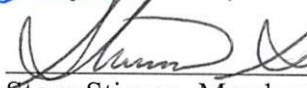
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