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RESOLUTION NO. 23-2020
COVID 19 PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 19-101 *et. seq.*, and K.S.A. 19-212 authorize the Board of County Commissioners to transact all County business and perform all powers of local legislation deemed appropriate, and to make all contracts and do all other acts in relation to the property and concerns of the county, necessary to the exercise of its corporate or administrative powers.

WHEREAS, on the 20th day of July, 2020, Governor Laura Kelly issued Executive Order 20-59 requiring mitigation procedures in K-12 schools, pursuant to authority granted by K.S.A. 2019 Supp. 48-925(b) as amended by HB 2016, Sec. 33, during the ongoing Covid-19 public health disaster emergency.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners may issue an order relating to public health that includes provisions that are less stringent than the provisions of an executive order, according to KSA 2019 Supp 48-925(h), as amended by HB 2016, Sec. 33.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS,

- (1) That the Board of County Commissioners of Cherokee County has consulted with Betha Elliott, the Cherokee County Health Department Director, regarding the Governors Executive Order 20-59.
- (2) Following such consultation, implementation of the full scope of the provisions in the Governor's executive order 20-59 are not necessary Covid-19 mitigation procedures in Cherokee County K-12 schools to protect the public health and safety.
- (3) The Board further finds, based on consultation and recommendations from Betha Elliott, Cherokee County's Health Department Director, current case numbers, effectiveness of contact tracing processes involving residents who have contracted Covid-19 or been exposed, and area medical providers' successful management of current Covid related cases, do not warrant Executive Order 20-59 mitigation procedures in Cherokee County K-12 schools at this time. The Board strongly encourages residents, students, faculty and administrators, especially those who may be in a vulnerable class, to wear face masks or coverings, and everyone to practice responsible safe social distancing, frequent hand washing, sanitizing and to avoid indoor crowded situations whenever possible.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS, THAT THIS ORDER SHALL BE EFFECTIVE August 10,, 2020.

RESOLVED AND ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS, THIS 10 DAY OF August, 2020.

APPROVED:

Myra Carlisle Frazier

Myra Carlisle Frazier, Chairwoman
Cherokee County Commissioner

Neal Anderson

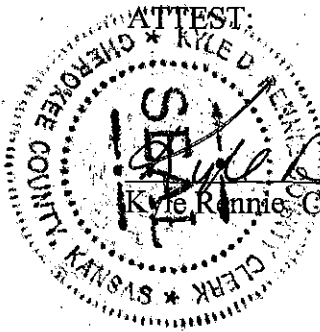
Neal Anderson
Cherokee County Commissioner

Cory Moates

Cory Moates
Cherokee County Commissioner

Betha Elliott

Betha Elliott, Director
Cherokee County Health Department



Kyle D. Rennie
Kyle Rennie, Cherokee County Clerk

(Seal)

Executed August 10, 2020
By the Board of County
Commissioners