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For Immediate Release:

### **Floyd County Commissioners Declare State Of Emergency**

The Floyd County Commissioners have declared an emergency for Floyd County Indiana due to the Coronavirus COVID-19 Pandemic. The Commissioners are working closely with Floyd County Emergency Management Floyd County Health Officer and all county and city officials during this event.

The emergency declaration will allow Floyd county emergency services, public works, volunteers, humanitarian organizations, and private interest groups to provide emergency assistance to meet immediate human needs and essential services as it arises.

The declaration also allows for funding and resources, on the state and federal level, vital to the recovery effort.

The Floyd County Commissioners would like to remind all of its citizens to continue to follow the Center for Disease Control's recommendations:

- Wash your hands and avoid touching your face as much as possible
- Practice social distancing and avoid shaking hands or close contact with others
- Disinfect items frequently used or touched regularly. (Follow manufacturer recommendations when disinfecting electronics.)
- Those who think they have come in contact with someone or are showing signs and symptoms of COVID-19 should contact their Primary Care Provider by phone. They will give instructions on what to do.
- **Do not** go to the hospital without calling and following their procedures. You risk exposing more people than necessary.

Hoarding of household goods and grocery items is not necessary. Stores are restocking shelves as quickly as possible.

They would also remind you to remain calm. Be good neighbors. Check on the elderly and the most vulnerable population with health issues. Call and see if they need any assistance.

For further official updates, visit the website: <https://www.floydcounty.in.gov/> during the COVID-19 pandemic in Floyd County.