Resolution No. 01-2020

TOWN OF BRUSSELS DECLARATION OF HEALTH EMERGENCY

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 such disease have yet been diagnosed in the Town of Brussels, but the town residents and visitors are at increasing risk of contracting such disease; and,

WHEREAS, The World Health Organization has declared a Public Health Emergency of International Concern, and the United States 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 Brussels must avail itself of all resources at its disposal to respond to and contain the presence of COVID-19 in the town.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board of the Town of Brussels, Door County, Wisconsin, as follows:

- 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 Declared in the Town of Brussels consistent with the statewide declaration of a public health emergency by Governor Evers;
- 2. The Town of Brussels 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 of Brussels.
- 3. The Town of Brussels 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 roads of the Town of Brussels, and to limit or cancel business or other gatherings.
- 4. As this declaration of health emergency is consistent with a similar declaration by Governor Evers applicable to the entire State of Wisconsin, the Town of Brussels may employ personnel, facilities, and other resources consistent with an emergency plan adopted to cope with the problems of local disasters.
 - 5. The Town Chairman will undertake and direct the activities outlined herein on behalf of

the Town of Brussels.

6. The period of this emergency declaration shall be limited to 60 days from the date of this resolution.

In accordance with s.323.14(4) Wis.Stat., this resolution is adopted by the Town Chairman on behalf of the Town Board which has been unable to meet due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Adopted this 23rd day of March, 2020.

Joe Waatier, Town Chairman