

RESOLUTION NO. 20-\_\_\_\_\_ RESOLUTION URGING GOVERNOR WHITMER AND THE MICHIGAN LEGISLATURE TO PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFELY REOPEN THE ECONOMY

WHEREAS, the global COVID-19 pandemic has thrust the State of Michigan into a public health emergency that requires bold actions;

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan also faces an economic crisis, requiring a similarly healthy response; and

WHEREAS, Governor Whitmer issued Executive Order 2020-42 restricting and prohibiting significant segments of personal and commercial activities; and

WHEREAS, the restraints of Executive Order 2020-42 exceed clear guidance developed by health experts through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to mitigate the transmission of the virus; and

WHEREAS, national health experts are now beginning to offer further criteria and guidelines, based on data and science, for phased openings on a county-by-county basis; and

WHEREAS, many businesses can follow such guidance and further mitigation practices while still avoiding activities that jeopardize the health of their employees and customers; and 2

WHEREAS, confirmed cases of COVID-19 are disproportionately concentrated in a fraction of Michigan's 83 counties, all under the same restrictions of Executive Order 2020-42; and

WHEREAS, Hartland Township supports the countless ongoing efforts of responsible Michiganders to combat the spread of this virus; and

WHEREAS, Hartland Township also advocates for the economic health and viability of its residents and business community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Hartland Township Board of Trustees: 1. That Hartland Township hereby supports coordinated public health directives proportional to differing regional conditions. 2. That Hartland Township hereby urges Governor Whitmer and the Michigan Legislature to work tirelessly to safely reopen the economy. 3. That the Hartland Township Clerk is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to Governor Gretchen Whitmer, State Senator Lana Theis, State Representative Hank Vaupel and the Michigan Townships Association.