RESOLUTION NO. 32, SERIES OF 2020

AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 27, SERIES OF 2020 TO OPEN COUNTY OFFICES FOR WALK-IN PUBLIC TRAFFIC BEGINNING ON MAY 18, 2020, SUBJECT TO PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL DISTANCING REQUIREMENTS

WHEREAS, on April 28, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners for Fremont County adopted Resolution No. 27, Series of 2020, amending the declaration of a local disaster emergency and extending the declaration to expire at midnight on May 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 27 contained specific provisions regarding closure of County offices and the conduct of county business; and

WHEREAS, County elected officials and department heads have implemented protocols and policies intended to prevent the transmission and spread of COVID-19, including state requirements and guidelines for social distancing (6-foot separation distance and thoroughly sanitizing all potentially affected surfaces following appointments and at regular intervals), wearing of masks and other PPE, and such other precautions as are required by FCDPHE, the Board of Commissioners, Colorado Governor Executive Orders, Colorado Public Health Orders and such other requirements and guidelines as may be instituted in the future; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the County offices are adequately preparing for increased public traffic in county buildings and if the public health requirements and guidelines for social distancing continue to be observed, county offices should make attempts to increase the provision of county services to the public on an in-person basis; and

WHEREAS, to implement the provision of in-person services to the public, the Board must make certain amendments to Resolution No. 27, Series of 2020.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR FREMONT COUNTY:

- 1. Section 3 of Resolution No. 27, Series of 2020 is hereby amended as follows:
 - 3. County Offices.
- a. Beginning on Monday, May 18, 2020 at 7:00 a.m., the County buildings shall be open to walk-in public traffic during normal business hours. All persons admitted to the building shall observe state requirements and guidelines for social distancing including 6-foot separation distance, thorough sanitizing (by county personnel) of all potentially affected surfaces between customers, wearing of masks and other necessary PPE, and such other precautions as are required by FCDPHE, the Board of Commissioners, Colorado Governor Executive Orders, Colorado Public Health Orders and such other requirements and guidelines as may be instituted in the future.

- b. County offices shall continue to conduct business with the public by appointment arranged in advance with county departments, through telephone, online services, e-mail, other electronic means, or by physically dropping off documents necessary for the conduct of business.
- c. Allowing county staff to work from home will be made on a case-by-case basis taking into consideration the ongoing operational needs of the County and also considering public health advice. Supervisors should consult with the County Manager but have discretion to designate employees as critical to maintaining County operations.
- d. County Elected Officials, Department Heads and all employees shall observe state requirements and guidelines for social distancing, wearing of masks and other PPE, and such other precautions as are required by FCDPHE, the Board of Commissioners, Colorado Governor Executive Orders, Colorado Public Health Orders and such other requirements and guidelines as may be instituted in the future.
- e. Such closure shall not apply to the Fremont County Judicial Building, and such authority to close the building or limit public access shall be exercised by the Chief Judge of the 11th Judicial District.
- f. Such closure shall also not apply to the Fremont County Sheriff's Office, except such closure that the Sheriff deems appropriate for the protection of housed prisoners and county staff.
- g. Unless otherwise directed by the Board of County Commissioners or FCDPHE, Fremont County shall continue to comply with the requirements and guidelines for the Colorado state "Safer at Home" COVID-19 response phase.
- 2. Distribution. Copies of this declaration shall be given prompt and general publicity through all local media sources, on the County website and Facebook page, and also shall be filed promptly with the County Clerk and Recorder, the Office of Emergency Management, and the Colorado Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment and other such agencies and entities as designated by the Board of Commissioners or as deemed necessary for the health, safety and welfare of .
- 3. Safety. The adoption of this Resolution is necessary for the immediate preservation of public health, safety and welfare.
- 4. Severability. All provisions of this Resolution are intended to be severable. If a court or administrative body declares any provision or its application to be invalid or unenforceable, in whole or in part, such determination shall not affect, impair or invalidate any other provision of this Resolution. If a court or administrative body determines a provision or its application to be valid or enforceable only if its application is limited, its application shall be limited as required to most fully implement its purpose.
- 5. Amendment/Extension. The BOCC reserves the right to further amend, extend or terminate this resolution at any time.

6. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon adoption by the Board of County Commissioners.				
Commissioner moved adoption of the foregoing Resolution, seconded by Commissioner and approved by roll call vote as follows:				
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Date: May 12th, 2020				
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FREMONT COUNTY				
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