## PROCLAMATION OF STEPHENSON COUNTY DISASTER EMERGENCY

Under authority of Illinois Compiled Statues 20 ILCS 3305/11, I, William N. Hadley, Stephenson County Board Chairman, upon joint recommendation by the Directors of the Stephenson County Department of Health and Stephenson County Emergency Management Agency, do hereby proclaim that a disaster emergency exists in Stephenson County due to the following reasons:

The first presumptive positive case of the COVID-19 virus has occurred within Stephenson County. Emergency procedures and protocols need to be implemented to facilitate decision making across the county and allow expedited procurement should it be necessary. The County requires resources from the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS). This emergency will exceed the County's available personnel and financial resources, and therefore funding and resources from the State and/or Federal Government will be necessary to mitigate the disaster.

The Stephenson County Department of Health Public Health Emergency Plan and the Stephenson County Emergency Operations Plan are hereby activated and the Directors of the Stephenson County Department of Health and Stephenson County Emergency Management Agency are ordered to proceed with all haste to bring said disaster to a rapid conclusion for the best interest of the residents of Stephenson County and pursuant to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act and the Stephenson County Emergency Management Agency ordinance.

This proclamation is effective this <u>22<sup>nd</sup></u> day of <u>March</u>, 2020 and shall expire the <u>30<sup>th</sup></u> day of <u>April</u>, 2020 unless extended by the Stephenson County Board Chairman.

Chairman, Stephenson County Board

Filed this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2020 with the Stephenson County Clerk

Stephenson County Clerk