



## Board of County Commissioners

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## EMERGENCY DECLARATION RESOLUTION #2020-9

WHEREAS, The recent incident in Minneapolis, Minnesota, that resulted in the tragic death of George Floyd has given rise to protest marches and assemblies in Minneapolis and in cities throughout the country, and in particular, during the course of said marches and assemblies in Minneapolis, civil disorder occurred resulting in significant destruction of public and private property by fire and other means, in looting private property and in great civil unrest; and,

WHEREAS, One or more public marches, assemblies and protests occurred in the City of Fargo on this day, Saturday, May 30, 2020; and,

WHEREAS, There is evidence that marches, assemblies and/or protests have not or will not remain peaceful, that such marches and assemblies will become violent to persons or property and will rise to a substantial and dangerous levels of civil disturbance, disorder or riot; and,

WHEREAS, North Dakota Century Code Chapter 37-17.1 authorizes the Chair of the Board of Commissioners to declare a local Emergency if the Chair finds that the County, or any part thereof, is in imminent danger of suffering civil disturbance, disorder, riot or other occurrence which will seriously and substantially enganger the health, safety and property of the citizens;

### **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,**

1. Mr. Chad Peterson, Chair of the Cass County Board of Commissioner does hereby find that Cass County, or one or more parts thereof, is in imminent danger of suffering civil disturbance, disorder, riot or other occurrence which will seriously and substantially endanger the health, safety and property of the citizens and therefore hereby declares a State of Emergency; and,
2. By this Declaration, the Chair of the Board of Commissioners authorizes the taking of any measures deemed nessecary.
3. This Declaration of Emergency shall extent up to seven days after the signing of this emergency declaration, or until the first opportunity the Chair has to review the declaration with the Board of Commissioners.

Dated at Fargo, North Dakota, this 30th day of May, 2020.

APPROVED:

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Chad Peterson, Chairman  
Cass County Commission