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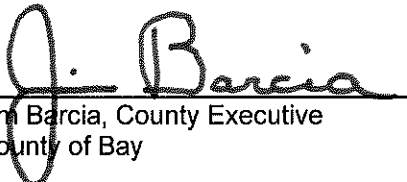
To: Deputy State Director of Emergency Management and Homeland Security – Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division, Michigan State Police; District 3 Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division Coordinator

On Tuesday, March 10, 2020, the first two cases of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) were detected in the State of Michigan. On Friday, March 13, 2020 the first case was detected in Bay County. As of today, March 17, 2020 there are 54 confirmed cases in the state with more expected. All K-12 schools have been ordered closed by the governor, most colleges and universities have suspended face-to-face instruction, public gatherings have been limited, bars and restaurants have been ordered to stop congregate meals, and retail establishments are facing shortages of essential supplies.

In the coming days, we expect additional facility closures, more limited public gatherings, employee absences to attend to illness and/or family matters, and continued supply shortages.

In order to efficiently marshal the resources of county government to respond to this unprecedented situation I, as County Executive of Bay County, in accordance with Section 10 of 1976 PA 390, as amended, do hereby declare that a "state of emergency" exists within our jurisdiction as of March 17, 2020, and that the response and recovery elements of our emergency operations plan have been activated, and local resources are being utilized to the fullest possible extent.

Authorized by:

Signature: 
Jim Barcia, County Executive
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