BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION URGING THE PUBLIC TO CONTINUE TO WEAR MASKS IN INDOOR PUBLIC SETTINGS

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Governor of the State of California issued Executive Order N-33-20, ordering all individuals living in the State of California to stay home or at their place of residence, except to obtain or perform essential services. Subsequent Orders set forth a staged process for allowing more business operations to begin, with appropriate health measures to reduce the risk inherent in increased activities during this pandemic; and

WHEREAS, since that time, the residents of the State of California have been subject to numerous Executive Orders designed to protect the public in response to an ever-changing landscape created by COVID-19, including but not limited to the extent of community transmission, the strain on health resources, and other epidemiological indicators; and

WHEREAS, in June of this year, the California Department of Public Health, citing to the efficacy of COVID-19 vaccines, issued Guidance for the Use of Face Coverings - Effective June 15, 2021, which provides that face masks are not required for fully vaccinated individuals except under narrowly prescribed circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this Board has very recently become aware that Lake County has experienced a significant increase in COVID-19 cases; and

WHEREAS, the Lake County presently has the highest rate of COVID-19 cases per 100,000 in the State, with a positivity rate of almost three times the State positivity rate; and WHEREAS, wearing face masks has been found to be an effective method of protecting against the transmission of COVID-19.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County Board of Supervisors hereby finds and declares the following:

1. The Board of Supervisors finds that due to the significant increase in COVID-19 cases and a current positivity rate of three times the State rate, the public should be strongly encouraged to wear face masks whenever indoors in public settings.

2. The Board of Supervisors recommends wearing face masks as a precautionary measure to all residents and visitors to Lake County, regardless of whether such residents/visitors have been vaccinated against the COVID-19 virus.

THIS RESOLUTION WAS PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Lake, State of California, at a regular meeting thereof on _____, 2021 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:

CHAIR, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: CAROL J. HUCHINGSON APPROVED AS TO FORM: Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

ANITA L. GRANT County Counsel

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