

**A RESOLUTION OF THE VERMILION COUNTY BOARD  
IN SUPPORT OF LOCAL BUSINESSES, THE VERMILION COUNTY BOARD**

WHEREAS, Governor JB Pritzker has issued multiple Executive Orders related to the COVID-19 pandemic emergency; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the Governor's actions, some businesses in Vermilion County deemed "non-essential" by the Governor have been forced to cease operations; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's actions risk businesses in Vermilion County in particular restaurants and establishments that serve alcohol being forced to close indefinitely causing financial harm to business owners and the economy of Vermilion County generally; and

WHEREAS, the Vermilion County Board believes that Vermilion County business owners should be given the opportunity to stay open for business, while practicing social distancing and the use of facemasks in there establishments. To protect their employees and the general public.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Vermilion County Board that continuation of the Executive Order prohibiting the opening and operation of "non-essential" businesses represents a threat to those businesses and the overall economy of Vermilion county;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Vermilion County Board that it supports taking steps by the Vermilion County Health Department in promulgating a procedure whereby local businesses have the option to Remain open without concern of local enforcement of the Governor's Executive Order;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Vermilion County Board that all due haste be exercised in finalizing and promoting the guidance to local business owners and Houses of Worship, with continuing discussions with the Illinois Department of Public Health and the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity so that they have the option of maintaining their business open without concern of local enforcement.

PRESENTED, APPROVED & RESOLVED by the County Board of Vermilion County, Illinois at the January \_\_, 2021 session.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

Aye \_\_\_\_ Nay \_\_\_\_ Absent \_\_\_\_

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County Board Chairman