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DETERMINATION OF NEED FOR THE LAKE COUNTY HOUSING AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEETINGS TO BE HELD BY AUDIO OR VIDEO
CONFERENCE

1. The Governor of the State of Illinois has issued a disaster declaration related to public health concerns because of a disaster as defined in Section 4 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act and all of Lake County is covered by the disaster area. In light of such disaster declaration, and in accordance with 5 ILCS 120/7(e)(2), I hereby determine that:
 - a. In-person meetings of the Lake County Housing and Community Development Commission (HCDC) conducted under the otherwise applicable provisions of the Open Meetings Act, are generally not practical or prudent because of such disaster, based on the increasing level of community transmission.
 - b. For purposes of section 120/7(e)(4), in-person attendance by members of the public is permissible. Attendance is limited to the number of persons that are practicable in keeping with social distancing and mask requirements of the meeting location. Members of the public may also attend and participate in public meetings by alternative means via access instructions as provided in the meeting agendas. Therefore, in accordance with 5 ILCS 120/7(e)(2) during the pendency of the Governor's current declaration of disaster:
 - c. Meetings of the HCDC will be conducted exclusively by audio or video conference, without the Members' physical presence at the regular or any alternate meeting location.
 - d. A physical quorum of the HCDC members is not required at the regular (or any alternate meeting location) however, when a physical quorum is not required, at least one member of the HCDC, or a designee, will be present at the regular or any alternate meeting location.
 - e. Any members of the public or board may be present at the regular or any alternate meeting location, while at all times practicing social distancing and wearing a face covering at all times, will be able to participate in public comment and hear all open meeting agenda item discussions and votes of the members of the HCDC.

Dated this 9th day of March 2022

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Raymond Rose", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Raymond Rose, Chairman
Housing and Community Development Commission