

09-05-23-83: EXTENSION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION

RESOLUTION BY COMMISSIONER GREENE

WHEREAS, on August 23, 2023, Kent County and surrounding areas experienced severe thunderstorms and a tornado impacting multiple local municipalities; and

WHEREAS, on August 29, 2023, under the authority of section 10(b) of Michigan Public Act 390 of 1976, as amended, Kent County Board of Commissioners' Chair Stek declared a state of emergency in Kent County because of widespread severe damage, injury, or loss of life or property (or the imminent threat of the same) as a resulting from flooding; and

WHEREAS, Chair Stek's Declaration of State of Emergency allowed extraordinary measures to be taken to alleviate the suffering of the people and to protect or rehabilitate property, including the activation of the Kent County Emergency Operations Plan and activation of the County's Emergency Operations Center to coordinate response activities, control and maximize the efficient use of resources, and utilize the National Incident Management System; and

WHEREAS, Chair Stek's Declaration of State of Emergency expires after 7 days unless it is extended with the consent of the governing body of the County; and

WHEREAS, emergency circumstances and conditions have not resolved. Debris removal and property inspections and restoration are not complete. Emergency actions to protect life and property continue. The total amount of damage is not yet known; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the emergency circumstances will abate by September 27, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Kent County Sheriff's Department and the Kent County Emergency Management Coordinator request the Board of Commissioners consent to the extension of the Declaration of State of Emergency for an additional thirty (30) calendar days through midnight, September 27, 2023, unless the Sheriff determines sooner that emergency conditions have ended and provides a written NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF EMERGENCY to the Chair of the Kent County Board of Commissioners confirming the end of the emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Kent County Board of Commissioners has the authority to consent to this extension of the Declaration of Emergency pursuant to section 10(b) of Michigan Public Act 390 of 1976, as amended, MCL 30.410(b).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Kent County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes and consents to the extension of the current Declaration of State of Emergency for an additional thirty (30) calendar days through midnight September 27, 2023, unless the Kent County Sheriff sooner determines that emergency conditions have ended and provides a written NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF EMERGENCY to the Chair of the Kent County Board of Commissioners confirming the end of the emergency.

Commissioner Greene moved the resolution be adopted.

Motion by Commissioner Greene, seconded by Commissioner Theil, that the resolution be adopted.

Motion Carried.

Yeas: Commissioners Baker, Brieve, Burrill, DeBoer, Diaz, Greene, Hildebrand, Kallman, LaGrand, McCloud, Merchant, Oliver-King, Ponstein, Sparks, Thiel, Wooden, Chair Stek – 16

Nays: 0

STATE OF MICHIGAN
County of Kent

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I, LISA POSTHUMUS LYONS, Clerk of the Circuit Court of said County of Kent do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct transcript of:
A resolution adopted by the Kent County Board of Commissioners at the meeting held Tuesday, September 5, 2023

compared by me with the original, now on record in the office of the Clerk of said County and Court, and of the whole of said original record.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at the City of Grand Rapids, in said county, this September 5, 2023.

LISA POSTHUMUS LYONS, Clerk

By Lisa Posthumus Lyons