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Today, the Pickaway County Board of County Commissioners passed a resolution to declare a state of emergency for Pickaway County during their normally scheduled public meeting.

Pickaway County Commissioner President Harold Henson said the vote is a necessary step forward in the county's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. "Two weeks ago, the County began transitioning to emergency operations, focusing our resources on only mission critical operations," Henson said. "As cases continue to rise, declaring a state of emergency is the best way for us to ensure that the coordination mechanisms, resources, and support we need to fight this pandemic is available, to ensure the safety of our employees and the public."

While county offices remain open, the Commissioners encourage residents to defer non-essential visits to county offices whenever possible. Each office has an online presence and can conduct substantial business by telephone and e-mail. If a visit is necessary, however, county leadership is working to keep visitors, and county employees, safe. In addition to steps described above, everyone should follow the protocols for handwashing and minimizing physical contact which can help prevent the spread of the virus.

For further questions regarding Pickaway County governmental operations during the COVID-19 situation, please contact County Administrator April Dengler at adengler@pickawaycountyohio.gov, Emergency Management Director Darrin Flick, dflick@pickawaycountyohio.gov, and/or President of the Pickaway County Board of Commissioners Harold Henson, hhenson@pickawaycountyohio.gov. The Commissioners office may be reached by telephone at 740-474-6093.

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