

**VILLAGE OF GERMANTOWN  
WASHINGTON COUNTY**

**RESOLUTION NO. 39-2020**

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**A RESOLUTION IMPLORING OFFICIALS AT THE STATE LEVEL TO ENGAGE IN  
BIPARTISAN EFFORTS TO ADDRESS THE SAFER AT HOME ORDER  
AND THE REOPENING OF BUSINESSES IN THE STATE OF WISCONSIN**

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WHEREAS, COVID-19, a novel strain of the coronavirus, was detected in December, 2019, and has subsequently spread throughout numerous countries and the United States including Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, citing the World Health Organization's declaration of a Public Health Emergency of International Concern, and the United States Department of Health and Human Services declaration of a Public Health Emergency, the State of Wisconsin has declared a Public Health Emergency by Executive Order #72; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the threat that COVID-19 presents to the health and safety to Village residents and the challenges the response to the pandemic presents, the Village Board adopted Resolution No. 27-2020 on March 16, 2020 declaring a local public health emergency within the Village of Germantown, which was extended by Resolution No. 38-2020 adopted on May 4, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Governor issued Emergency Order 12, also known as the Safer at Home Order on March 24, 2020, and the Secretary-Designee of the Wisconsin Department of Health Services issued Emergency Order 28 on April 16, 2020 extending the provisions of the Safer at Home Order until May 26, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Germantown understands and supports the goal of the Safer at Home Order to help "flatten the curve" to prevent hospitals from being overrun with COVID-19 cases by requiring ventilators and extended hospitalization stay; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Health Services and the Governor's office have touted that the Safer at Home Order has worked and the curve is flattening<sup>1</sup>; and

WHEREAS, in a representative government of co-equal branches of government, the Village Board believes that, to fully represent the residents of Wisconsin, our state leaders must put aside all political differences and work together for the good of the people and the economy;

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<sup>1</sup> See, e.g., <https://youtu.be/HKcjbuztSe8>

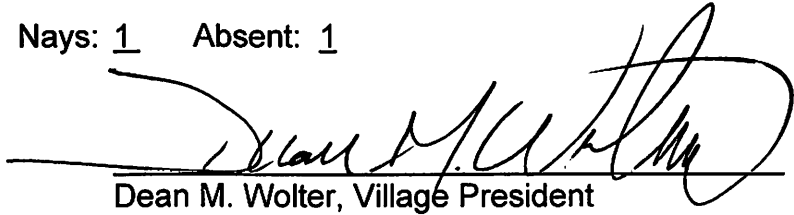
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Village Board of the Village of Germantown, Wisconsin, that on behalf of the citizens and business owners of the Village, the Board does hereby implore the Governor and the Legislature to immediately rescind the extended Stay at Home Order and leave opening up all businesses to local Counties with guidance from their local County Health Department as to when and how to open the State of Wisconsin for Business.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village Clerk is hereby directed to provide a copy of this Resolution to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Senator Darling, Representative Knodl, President Roth, Speaker Vos, and the Majority and Minority Leaders of both houses of the Legislature.

Introduced by: Trustee Pieper

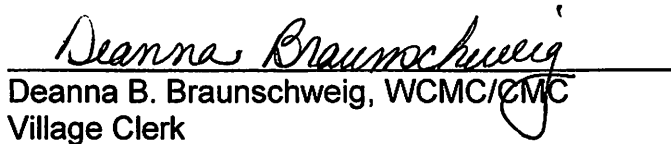
Adopted: May 4, 2020

Vote: Ayes: 7 Nays: 1 Absent: 1



Dean M. Wolter, Village President

ATTEST:



Deanna B. Braunschweig, WCMC/CMC  
Village Clerk