

ORDER NO. 2021 - 03

AN ORDER REGARDING STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 20-68

WHEREAS, on November 18, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order No. 20-68 requiring most Kansans to wear face masks in public; and,

WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners on February 8, 2021 issued County Order No. 2021-02 which superseded previous County orders 2021-01 and 2020-03 modifying Executive Order No. 20-68

WHEREAS K.S.A. 48-925(h) allows the County Board of Commissioners to issue an order less stringent than that of a statewide executive order; and

WHEREAS the Board has consulted with the local health director regarding the governor's executive order and following such consultation has recognized that the number of local active COVID-19 cases has decreased to less than five, the vaccination program is in full operation, a large percentage of the population has either had the virus or has been vaccinated, and the burden on the regional healthcare system has decreased. Therefore, the County believes that Executive Order 20-68 can be made less stringent while still providing protections for the public.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED that masks are strongly recommended, but not required, in situations contemplated by Executive Order 20-68. Mask wearing in County facilities will be at the discretion of the department heads. The first and third floors of the Courthouse may require masks at times depending on court proceedings and vaccination clinics. This resolution supersedes Order 2021-02. This order shall be effective upon execution of this document.

Businesses, churches, schools, private landowners, and other entities shall have the authority to impose COVID-19 restrictions, including mask requirements, and may request help enforcing trespass orders for those who refuse to comply.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS of Wabaunsee County, Kansas this 15th day of March, 2021.



Attested by:

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Abby Amick, County Clerk

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