

**FIRST AMENDMENT SANCTUARY RESOLUTION**  
**OF \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, STATE OF COLORADO**

**WHEREAS**, the Constitution of Colorado Article II, Section 3 states, “All persons have natural, essential and inalienable rights, among which may be reckoned the right of enjoying and defending their lives and liberties; of acquiring, possessing and protecting property; and of seeking and obtaining their safety and happiness;” and,

**WHEREAS**, the Constitution of Colorado Article II, Section 10 and Section 24 state, “No law shall be passed impairing the freedom of speech; every person shall be free to speak, write or publish whatever he will on any subject...” and, “The people have the right peaceably to assemble for the common good...;” and,

**WHEREAS**, Governor Polis and the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, through unlegislated orders, are prohibiting the gathering of more than \_\_\_\_\_ citizens at a single time; and,

**WHEREAS** this order is clearly in violation of the Constitution of Colorado Article II, Sections 3, 10, and 24; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of \_\_\_\_\_ County does not recognize the Governor’s orders pursuant to the Constitution of Colorado Article II Section 1 which states, “All political power is vested in and derived from the people; all government, of right, originates from the people, is founded upon their will only, and is instituted solely for the good of the whole;” and,

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of \_\_\_\_\_ County wishes to express its deep commitment to the freedoms enumerated in the United States Bill of Rights; including the rights of all citizens of \_\_\_\_\_ County to peaceably assemble and to engage in commerce for the financial support of themselves and their families, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of \_\_\_\_\_ County wishes to express opposition to any order or law that would unconstitutionally restrict the rights of the citizens of \_\_\_\_\_ County, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of \_\_\_\_\_ County wishes to express its intent to stand as a Sanctuary County for the Bill of Rights and the First Amendment; and to oppose, within the limits of the Constitutions of the United States and the State of Colorado, any efforts to unconstitutionally restrict such rights, and to use such legal means at its disposal to protect the rights of the citizens of \_\_\_\_\_ County to freely exercise their religion; to peaceably assemble; to freely engage in commerce; to free movement of persons; and any other individual liberty recognized as belonging to the People.

**Whereas,** the means within the power of the Board of County Commissioners of \_\_\_\_\_ County includes the power to initiate legal action, the power to petition for redress of grievances, the power to appropriate funding for the law enforcement of \_\_\_\_\_ County, and the power to direct the employees of \_\_\_\_\_ County to not enforce any unconstitutional law or purported order, and;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of County Commissioners of \_\_\_\_\_ County, Colorado:

1. The Board of County Commissioners of \_\_\_\_\_ County hereby declares \_\_\_\_\_ County, Colorado, as a “First Amendment Sanctuary” and expresses its intent to uphold the First Amendment and other clearly established rights of the People of \_\_\_\_\_ County, Colorado.
2. The Board of County Commissioners of \_\_\_\_\_ County hereby expresses its intent that no \_\_\_\_\_ County funds will be used to restrict the First Amendment and other clearly established rights of the People of \_\_\_\_\_ County, and that no County funds shall be expended to aid federal or state agencies in the restriction of said rights.
3. No \_\_\_\_\_ County employees, government funds, resources, agencies, contractors, buildings, detention centers, or offices may be used for the purpose of enforcing laws that unconstitutionally infringe on the Bill of Rights and other clearly established rights of the People.
4. The Board of County Commissioners of \_\_\_\_\_ County supports local law enforcement who support the clearly established rights of the People; and requests its Sheriff to not assist any state law enforcement officer, state health agent or federal agent attempting to enforce the unconstitutional orders of the Governor and the CDPHE.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ County employees may not assist in or promote the enforcement of Governor Polis’s Executive Orders \_\_\_ and \_\_\_, as amended; nor any other Executive Orders or Public Health Orders that purport to limit or direct the free exercise of religion; peaceable assembly; free engagement in commerce; free movement of persons; nor any other individual liberty recognized as belonging to the People.

**DONE, THIS** \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_, Colorado.