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## **DECLARATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the undersigned, is the duly elected Town Council President, of the Town of Lapel, Indiana; and,

WHEREAS, Indiana Code 10-14-3-29(a)(1) permits the Town Council President to declare a local emergency; and,

WHEREAS, the Town Council has a duty to ensure efficient government of the Town; and,

WHEREAS, owing to a positive COVID-19 test or tests of Lapel Town employees, the undersigned hereby deems it necessary to close Lapel Town Hall, until Monday, December 20, 2021.

## IT IS THUS DECLARED THAT A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY EXISTS IN THE TOWN OF LAPEL.

As a result of positive COVID-19 tests, Lapel Town Hall shall be closed until Monday, December 20, 2021.

In addition, all public meetings of Town agencies and boards shall be conducted virtually until Monday, December 20, 2021.

With the exception of Lapel Town Hall, all Town Departments, including First Responders, are to continue to operate as normal during the pendency of this Emergency. Citizens making utility payments are instructed to utilize the drop box attached to the Town Hall or make an online payment.

The Lapel Police Department is hereby authorized to take lawful action necessary to effectuate the terms and intent of this Declaration, to reduce the risk of further spread of the Coronavirus which would reduce the efficiency of Lapel Town Government.

This emergency expires in seven (7) days.

SO DECLARED THIS 12th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2021.