

**IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI**

**AN ORDINANCE** recognizing the service and sacrifice of non-profit hospital workers, nursing home workers, and community health center workers who protect the residents of our community during the COVID-19 pandemic, and expressing our gratitude to these healthcare workers for their professional and courageous efforts during this crisis and making available previously procured personal protective equipment for the benefit of these workers.

**ORDINANCE NO. 5339**, May 18, 2020

**INTRODUCED BY** Ronald E. Finley, County Legislator

WHEREAS, as the COVID-19 virus spread throughout the United States, officials in Missouri, Kansas City, and Jackson County came together to formulate a plan to battle this disease and protect our residents; and,

WHEREAS, throughout this ordeal, our residents have stayed home to slow the spread of the disease while our non-profit hospital workers, nursing home workers, and community health center workers have remained on the front lines, putting themselves in harm's way for our benefit and protection; and,

WHEREAS, these brave non-profit hospital workers, nursing home workers, and community health center workers deserve recognition and support while they are exposed each day to the dangers of this deadly disease and in turn put their own families at risk because of their increased exposure; and,

WHEREAS, so far the County has purchased of approximately 30,000 pieces of personal protective equipment (PPE) for some emergency workers, but more is needed; and,

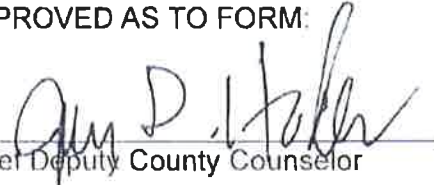
WHEREAS, by Ordinance 5335, dated May 11, 2020, the Legislature appropriated \$1,000,000.00 to be used to procure and provide PPE for front-line first responder fire fighters and police officers working in the in Kansas City, Missouri, Police and Fire Departments, as well as the first responder police and fire fighters working throughout Eastern Jackson County in the communities of Independence, Lee's Summit, Blue Springs, Raytown, Grandview, Grain Valley, Sugar Creek, Lake Lotawana, Lake Tapawingo, Levasy, Buckner, Sibley, Lone Jack, Oak Grove, Greenwood, Unity Village, River Bend, and in the unincorporated areas of Jackson County; and,

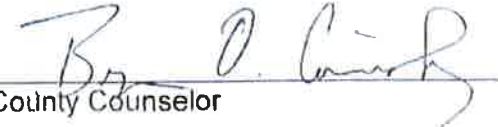
WHEREAS, the Legislature also desires to support our non-profit hospital workers, nursing home workers, and community health center workers in Kansas City and Eastern Jackson County; now therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Legislature hereby recognizes the courageous efforts of our non-profit community hospital workers, nursing home workers, and community health center workers and makes available PPE acquired by the County for the benefit and protection of these non-profit hospital workers, nursing home workers, and community health center workers in the cities and towns throughout Jackson County.

Effective Date: This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon signature by the County Executive.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
Chief Deputy County Counselor

  
County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached ordinance, Ordinance No. 5339 of May 18, 2020, was duly passed on June 1, 2020 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

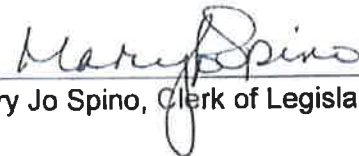
Yeas 9

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 0

6-1-2020  
Date

  
Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature

I hereby approve the attached Ordinance No. 5339.

6-1-2020  
Date

  
Frank White, Jr., County Executive