RESOLUTION 2020-01

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE KANSAS HOMELAND SECURITY REGION E HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION 2015-10, A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE BARTON COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN, ADOPTED MARCH 16, 2015

WHEREAS, areas of Barton County, Kansas are vulnerable to the human and economic costs of natural, technological and societal disasters; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Barton County, Kansas recognizes the threats that natural hazards pose to people and property within the county; and

WHEREAS, undertaking hazard mitigation actions will reduce the potential for harm to people and property from future hazard occurrences; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Congress passed the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 ("Disaster Mitigation Act") emphasizing the need for pre-disaster mitigation of potential hazards; and

WHEREAS, the Disaster Mitigation Act made available hazard mitigation grants to state and local governments; and

WHEREAS, an adopted Hazard Mitigation Plan is required as a condition of future funding for mitigation projects under multiple Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) pre- and post-disaster mitigation grant programs; and

WHEREAS, Barton County, Kansas fully participated in the FEMA prescribed mitigation planning process to prepare this Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Kansas Division of Emergency Management and FEMA Region VII officials have reviewed the Kansas Homeland Security Region E Hazard Mitigation Plan, and approved it contingent upon this official adoption of the participating governing body; and

WHEREAS, Barton County, Kansas desires to comply with the requirements of the Disaster Mitigation Act and to augment its emergency planning efforts by formally adopting the Kansas Homeland Security Region E Hazard Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, adoption by the Board of County Commissioners of Barton County, Kansas demonstrates the jurisdiction’s commitment to fulfilling the mitigation goals and objectives outlined in this plan, and

WHEREAS, adoption of this resolution legitimizes the plan and authorizes responsible agencies to carry out their responsibilities under the plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Barton County, Kansas, that Barton County adopts the Kansas Homeland Security Region E Hazard Mitigation Plan as an official plan; and
FURTHER, that Resolution 2015-10, A Resolution Adopting the Barton County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan, Adopted March 16, 2015, is hereby rescinded.

FURTHER, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and publication in the official County newspaper, The Great Bend Tribune.

FURTHER, that the Barton County Emergency Management Director of Barton County, Kansas shall submit this Adoption Resolution to the Kansas Division of Emergency Management.

ADOPTED this 6th day of January, 2020.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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ATTEST:

Donna Zimmerman, County Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Patrick Hoffman, County Counselor