

RESOLUTION # 2021-12

**An Order Exempting Linn County, Kansas from
the Face Mask Mandate Provisions of Executive Order 20-68 and
From Any Executive Order Substantially Reissuing EO 20-68
Under Any Other Title**

WHEREAS the Governor of Kansas has issued Executive Order No. 20-68, mandating the use of face masks in all public areas and certain non-public areas; and,

WHEREAS, under the authority of Senate Bill 40, the Governor has re-issued the requirements of said Order under different title, to wit:

; and

WHEREAS such mandate may allow for enforcement through civil penalties for persons who do not wear face masks in public; and,

WHEREAS, Kansas Senate Bill 40, Section 6(h)(1), authorizes the Board of County Commissioners to issue orders relating to public health that include provisions that are less stringent than the provisions of an executive order effective statewide issued by the Governor; and

WHEREAS the Board of Commissioners of Linn County, Kansas, has consulted with the local health officials and following such consultation, the Board has determined that the use of face masks in public is not necessary to protect the public health and safety of the county;

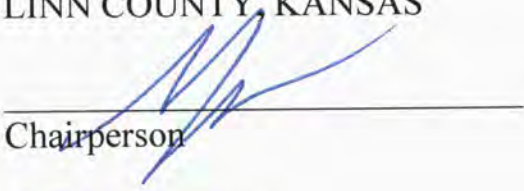
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED by the Board of Commissioners of Linn County, Kansas, sitting both as the Board of Commissioners and as the Board of Health of the county, that the Board hereby determines and orders that the use of face masks in public or in non-public areas,

as required by the Governor's Executive Order No. 20-68 as reissued under other title, is not required in Linn County, Kansas, and that Linn County shall be exempt from the face mask provision of Said Executive Orders, but that citizens of the County are encouraged to use face masks when in public or in close proximity to others not in their own household.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Commission/Board of Health supports and encourages the School Districts in Linn County to require masks and social distancing measures in school and at school activities to the extent those Districts find such requirements advisable.

Adopted on this 29th day of March, 2021.


BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS and
BOARD OF HEALTH
LINN COUNTY, KANSAS



Chairperson




Member



Member



Attest:



County Clerk