

RESOLUTION 2020 378

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BENTON COUNTY,
WASHINGTON:**

**IN THE MATTER OF SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION FOR BENTON COUNTY TO
MOVE TO PHASE 2 OF THE SAFE START WASHINGTON PLAN IN RESPONSE TO
THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC**

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020 the Benton County Board of County Commissioners declared an emergency in response to the developing situation surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2020 the Governor of the State of Washington issued a “stay at home” order for all of Washington State which expires May 31, 2020; and


WHEREAS, on May 4, 2020 the Governor of the State of Washington issued the Safe Start Washington Program which began a Phased approach to reopening Washington State; and

WHEREAS, as of May 4, 2020 Benton County has been at Phase 1 of the Safe Start Washington Plan; and


WHEREAS, The Benton County Commissioners feel that Benton County is ready to move to Phase 2 of the Safe Start Washington Plan based on available data;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Benton County Commissioners hereby requests that the Benton-Franklin Health District submit an application to the Washington State Board of Health to move Benton County into Phase 2 of the Safe Start Washington Plan.

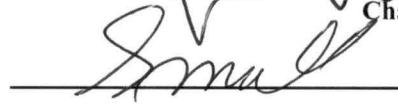
Dated this 2nd day of June 2020.



 Chairman of the Board



 Chairman Pro Tem



 Member

Attest: 
 Clerk of the Board

Constituting the Board of County
 Commissioners of Benton County,
 Washington