## STATE OF INDIANA BEFORE THE BOARD OF KOSCIUSKO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

## ORDINANCE NO. 20-12-22-002-

ORDINANCE REGARDING THE PROTECTION OF RIGHTS UNDER THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF INDIANA

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners ("Board") of Kosciusko County, Indiana ("County"), is the executive body of County government pursuant to the provisions of I.C. 36-2-2-2.

WHEREAS, the Board is also the legislative body of County government pursuant to the provisions of I.C. 36-1-2-9.

WHEREAS, on the same day as this ordinance, the Board has passed and adopted RESOLUTION NO. 20-12-22-00 ("Resolution") supporting the protection of rights under the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Indiana.

WHEREAS, the Board hereby adopts and incorporates herein the "WHEREAS" recitals of the Resolution.

WHEREAS, the rights secured by the Constitutions are best protected by principals of limited government, respect of private property rights, respect for individual freedoms and liberties, and knowledge of and access to the laws by the public.

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to adopt this ordinance, and future ordinances as necessary, in accord with the Resolution.

## NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF KOSCIUSKO COUNTY, AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. <u>Recodification</u>: The ordinances of the County shall be recodified and published for the public's review and knowledge on the website of the County.
- **2.** <u>Review</u>: The ordinances of the County shall be reviewed by the Board for compliance under the Constitutions.
- **3.** <u>Reduction</u>: The ordinances of the County shall be reduced where possible and prudent to eliminate unnecessary regulations.

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## 4. Rights:

- 4.1. The County is now, and forever shall be, a Constitutional Rights Sanctuary
- 4.2. All agencies and departments of the County under the authority of the Board shall:
  - 4.2.1. take due care at all times, whether during a state of emergency or otherwise, not to infringe upon the rights and liberties of the persons and individuals in Kosciusko County as stated in the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Indiana; and,
  - 4.2.2. review, and change if necessary, their rules, regulations, orders, policies, practices, and all governmental documents of legal force for conformity to said Constitutions.

So passed and adopted by the Board of Commissioners of Kosciusko County, Indiana, this 22nd day of December, 2020.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, KOSCIUSKO COUNTY, INDIANA

Michelle Puckett, Auditor

I affirm, under the penalties for perjury, that I have taken reasonable care to redact each Social Security number in this document, unless required by law.

Bradford Jackson, President

Robert M. Conley, Member

Groninger, Member