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The Boone County Commissioners on behalf of the Boone County Health Department, Office holders, and employees of Boone County Government, wish to express our deepest condolences to the families of those individuals who have not survived the COVID-19 disease. We are very saddened to hear of the passing of our neighbors and friends. We want those who are suffering from these tragic losses to know that we stand with you in your grief. The following days and weeks will be difficult for these families and we are praying they find some comfort and peace, as you say goodbye to these members of your families. God be with you all, you are in our prayers.

We want to say thank you to the caregivers who work hard every day to provide the highest level of care and comfort for those who are currently battling this disease. We want to recognize the outstanding efforts of staff members of our local extended care facilities and of the doctors, nurses, first responders and staff of Witham Health Services. We salute your dedication to Boone County.

We want to remind everyone this threat is not yet defeated and that we all have much work to do in curbing the growth of this pandemic. We want to thank you for your diligence, and we are asking that you continue the efforts to keep safe distancing in our public areas. Please protect yourself and others with good choices, keeping your hands clean and using personal protective equipment whenever possible.

The health and safety of the residents of Boone County, in good times and in bad, are the most important considerations of the Boone County Commissioner Board as we make every effort to be prepared for these types of events. We can assure you, our Boone County family, that we continue to work diligently on your behalf in consultation with local, state and national experts, on a daily basis to ensure we are making the best decisions possible. We feel we represent the most caring and generous of citizenry and thank you for taking care of your neighbors through this challenging time. We pray for your health and safety.

Sincerely,

Donald Lawson, President Tom Santelli, Vice President Jeff Wolfe, Member