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## News Release

Reference: City/ County Mask Ordinance

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On 02/02/2021 both the City Council and the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors convened to consider adopting a county wide Mask Ordinance. Both were legally convened meetings to include public input.

After both the City Council and County Board separately met to adopt the local ordinance, the Sheriff's Office started receiving e-mails asking the Sheriff to step in and investigate both the City Council, and the County Board of Supervisors for violations of Constitutional Rights.

The Oath of Office for Sheriff is found in Wisconsin Statutes Section 19.01. It requires me as Sheriff to "support" the Constitution of the United States, and the State of Wisconsin, and "faithfully discharge the duties of my office to the best of my abilities".

I am aware of my responsibilities as Sheriff. Many of my responsibilities are statutory in nature. At this point the Governor's Order is in effect. As of this date our office has not issued any citations to citizens or businesses under the Ordinance.

That is why I have decided not to investigate these requests. Under Article IV, Section 16 of the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin states:

**No member of the legislature shall be liable in any civil action, or criminal prosecution whatever, for words spoken in debate.**

EAU CLAIRE COUNTY SHERIFF'S

As your elected Sheriff, I understand that there will always be controversy on establishing new or changing current statutes, or ordinances. That's why elections are important, and we need to trust the people we vote into our local offices.

I have attached the e-mail complaint to this News Release. I have received literally over one hundred e-mails on this issue. The Sheriff's Office works closely with the City County Health Department and is receiving weekly updates of their progress on Covid-19 issues.

We are trying to protect our staff working in the Field and in the Jail. If we can stop or slow the spread of Covid-19 let us all work together to keep each other safe!

Sheriff Ron D. Cramer

Hello Sheriff Cramer,

I am asking that you open an investigation into City Council members including, Terry Weld, Emily Berge, Emily Anderson, Jeremy Gragert, Jill Christopherson, Andrew Werthmann, Kate Beaton, Catherine Emmanuelle, David Klinkhammer, John Lor, Mai Xioung, County Board Supervisors including, Sandra McKinney, Joe Knight, Stella Pagonis, Kevin Stelljes, Donald Mowry, Nancy Coffey, Ray Henning, Colleen Bates, Connie Russell, Judy Gatlin, Nick Smiar, Chris Hambuch-Boyle, Martha Nieman, Jim Dunning, Gerald Wilkie, Nathan Anderson, Dr. Katherine Schneider, Robin Leary, Heather DeLuka, Melissa Janssen, Tami Schraufnagel, Zoe Roberts, Kimberly Cronk, Missy Christopherson, Public Health Director, Elizabeth Giese, and City and County Attorney including, Stephen Nick, Jenessa Stromberger, and Tim Sullivan.

I am coming to you, the elected government servant I trust, to uphold and support the constitution and hold ALL people who commit crimes accountable. On 02/02/2021, both the city council members and the county board supervisors listed above, committed crimes against the residents of Eau Claire County. I am respectfully asking that you will open an investigation into the following crimes.

I am one of the 950 plus Eau Claire county residents who have signed a petition in the form of a cease and desist letter to all parties listed above, which was served multiple times, and ignored. 950 plus residents would like to have answers as to why these crimes are being allowed by the elected official whose duty it is to protect our rights and stop crime.

The crimes we are specifically asking you to investigate are listed below.

Title 18 U.S.C., Section 242 Deprivation of Rights Under Color of Law:

Whoever, under color of any law, statute, ordinance, regulation, or custom, willfully subjects any person in any State, Territory, Commonwealth, Possession, or District to the deprivation of any rights, privileges, or immunities secured or protected by the Constitution or laws of the United States, or to different punishments, pains, or penalties, on account of such person being an alien, or by reason of his color, or race, than are prescribed for the punishment of citizens, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than one year, or both; and if bodily injury results from the acts committed in violation of this section or if such acts include the use, attempted use, or threatened use of a dangerous weapon, explosives, or fire, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than ten years, or both; and if death results from the acts committed in violation of this section or if such acts include kidnapping or an attempt to kidnap, aggravated sexual abuse, or an attempt to commit aggravated sexual abuse, or an attempt to kill, shall be fined under this title, or imprisoned for any term of years or for life, or both, or may be sentenced to death.

Title 18 U.S.C., Section 241 Conspiracy Against Rights

If two or more persons conspire to injure, oppress, threaten, or intimidate any person in any State, Territory, Commonwealth, Possession, or District in the free exercise or enjoyment of any right or privilege secured to him by the Constitution or laws of the United States, or because of his having so exercised the same; or if two or more persons go in disguise on the highway, or on the premises of

another, with intent to prevent or hinder his free exercise or enjoyment of any right or privilege so secured—

They shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than ten years, or both; and if death results from the acts committed in violation of this section or if such acts include kidnapping or an attempt to kidnap, aggravated sexual abuse or an attempt to commit aggravated sexual abuse, or an attempt to kill, they shall be fined under this title or imprisoned for any term of years or for life, or both, or may be sentenced to death.

18 U.S.C. § 245 - U.S. Code - Unannotated Title 18. Crimes and Criminal Procedure § 245. Federally protected activities

18 U.S.C. § 1031- U.S. Code - Unannotated Title 18. Crimes and Criminal Procedure § 1031. Major fraud against the United States

18 U.S.C. § 1038 - U.S. Code - Unannotated Title 18. Crimes and Criminal Procedure § 1038. False information and hoaxes

18 U.S.C. § 1621 - U.S. Code - Unannotated Title 18. Crimes and Criminal Procedure § 1621. Perjury Generally.

42 U.S.C. § 1983 - U.S. Code - Unannotated Title 42. The Public Health and Welfare § 1983. Civil action for deprivation of rights

42 U.S.C. § 1985 - Unannotated Title 42. The Public Health and Welfare § 1985. Conspiracy to interfere with civil rights

42 U.S.C. § 1986 - U.S. Code - Unannotated Title 42. The Public Health and Welfare § 1986. Action for Neglect to Prevent

42 U.S.C. § 3617 - U.S. Code - Unannotated Title 42. The Public Health and Welfare § 3617. Interference, coercion, or intimidation

I appreciate your attention and action on this matter. I look forward to seeing this issue resolved.

Kind regards,

Eau Claire county resident and or business owner