

**RESOLUTION 16-4**  
**“RESOLUTION BANNING ALL OPEN BURNING”**

WHEREAS, McPherson County is currently experiencing extreme dry conditions; and

WHEREAS, McPherson County desires to protect the health and safety of all residents and all property within the county boundary; and

WHEREAS, an emergency situation exists:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the McPherson County Commission declares that an emergency situation does exist and as such the County Commission hereby imposes a ban on absolutely all open burning within the county, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that this ban shall preclude any and all burning, including any agricultural residue clearing and any trash/rubbish fires, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that this ban shall remain intact until such time as conditions improve and a subsequent resolution by the McPherson County Commission is enacted removing said ban, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that any violation of this resolution will result in criminal charges against the individual or individuals that initiate the fire.

Dated at Leola, South Dakota this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April 2016.

ATTEST:

Jennifer Guthmiller  
McPherson County Auditor

Rick Beilke  
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners

Feickert moved for the adoption of Resolution Number 16-04. Metzger seconded the forgoing motion. Upon roll call vote, thereon, all voted in favor. Motion carried, and Resolution Number 16-04 was declared duly adopted.