CAPTIVA EROSION PREVENTION DISTRICT, FLORIDA EMERGENCY RESOLUTION 2020-2 COVID-19

AN EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION AND RESOLUTION OF THE CAPTIVA EROSION PREVENTION DISTRICT DECLARING A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY RESULTING FROM OUTBREAK OF THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19); AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, authorizes political subdivisions of the state of Florida, including the CAPTIVA EROSION PREVENTION DISTRICT (CEPD) to declare a State of Local Emergency and to waive procedures and formalities, otherwise required by law, to take whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community in the event of a state of emergency; and

WHEREAS, Governor Ron DeSantis signed Executive Orders 20-52 in response to the novel and virulent nature of COVID 19 and has declared a state of emergency, pursuant to Chapter 252, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, both the World Health Organization and federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recognize the novel and virulent danger posed by COVID-19, having declared it a worldwide pandemic; and

WHEREAS, at the time of the execution of this proclamation, the CDC and Florida Surgeon General have recognized a present danger to residents of Florida from the outbreak; and

WHEREAS, the COVID 19 virus has the potential for causing widespread public health emergencies; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, the Governor of the State of Florida issued Executive Order Number 20-51 (attached hereto as Exhibit A), directing the Florida Department of Health to declare a Public Health Emergency due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, the Governor of the State of Florida issued Executive Order Number 20-52, Section D (attached hereto as Exhibit B) declaring a State of Emergency for the State of Florida due to COVID-19, which grants the CEPD the power to waive the procedures and formalities otherwise required by law pertaining to:

- 1) Performance of public work and taking whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community;
- 2) Entering into contracts; however, political subdivisions are cautioned against entering into time and materials contracts without ceiling as defined by 2 CFR 200.318(j) or cost plus percentage contracts as defined by 2 CFR 200.323(d);
- 3) Incurring obligations;

- 4) Employment of permanent and temporary workers;
- 5) Utilization of volunteer workers;
- 6) Rental of equipment;
- 7) Acquisition and distribution, with or without compensation, of supplies, materials, and facilities; and,
- 8) Appropriation and expenditure of public funds."

(Governor's Executive Order 20-52 Section D, March 9, 2020); and

WHEREAS, March 13, 2020, the President of the United States issued a Proclamation (attached hereto as Exhibit C), declaring a National Emergency to address the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the President of the United States and the Center for Disease Control (CDC) issued the 15 Days to Slow the Spread (attached hereto as Exhibit D), advising individuals to adopt far-reaching social distancing measures, such as working from home and avoiding gatherings of more than 10 people; and

WHEREAS, the outbreak of COVID-19 has spread to Southwest Florida, including several positive test results and two deaths in Lee County; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2020, Lee County, Florida passed Emergency Resolution No. 20-03-18 (attached hereto as Exhibit E, less referenced exhibits), declaring a State of Local Emergency for Lee County, Florida and on March 18, 2019 Lee County has closed Lee County-owned beaches and Lee County-owned beach access points effective March 19, 2020 at 6 pm; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, the Governor of the State of Florida issued Executive Order Number 20-68 (attached hereto as Exhibit F), ordering public beach gatherings to be limited to no more than 10 persons spaced at least six feet from other parties and supporting beach closures at the discretion of local authorities.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the CAPTIVA EROSION PREVENTION DISTRICT, Florida:

<u>Section 1.</u> The above "Whereas" clauses are incorporated herein as though fully set forth herein.

<u>Section 2.</u> COVID-19 poses a serious threat to the lives of the citizens who use the beaches and facilities of the CAPTIVA EROSION PREVENTION DISTRICT.

<u>Section 3.</u> This Resolution is an emergency measure necessary for the protection of the public safety, due to COVID-19.

<u>Section 4.</u> Accordingly, a State of Local Emergency is hereby declared, effective this, March 19, 2020, and proclaimed for all CEPD property, assets and territory within the legal power and boundaries of the CAPTIVA EROSION PREVENTION DISTRICT, Florida.

<u>Section 5.</u> Pursuant to Executive Order of the Governor, the CEPD may "waive the procedures and formalities otherwise required of the political subdivision by law pertaining to: 1) Performance of public work and taking whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community..."

- a. The CAPTIVA EROSION PREVENTION DISTRICT, Florida, for future meetings and workshops scheduled or occurring during the declared national, state and county emergency, hereby "waives the procedures and formalities otherwise required" to allow attendance by telephone or electronic means, including use of internet and phone applications, when necessary to obtain a quorum, in order to take action during voluntary self-quarantine and social distancing due to the COVID 19 state of emergency.
- b. The CAPTIVA EROSION PREVENTION DISTRICT, Florida, closes until further notice of the CEPD Administrator, all CEPD public beach parking lots and CEPD public beach restrooms and CEPD public beach accesses including, but not limited to, the Alison Hagerup parking lot and facilities beginning this evening at 6 p.m. on March 19, 2020.
- c. The CAPTIVA EROSION PREVENTION DISTRICT, Florida, prohibits groups of 10 or more persons at all CEPD public beach accesses.
- d. The CAPTIVA EROSION PREVENTION DISTRICT, Florida, directs that groups of less than 10 persons sit at least six (6) feet from other groups at all CEPD public beach accesses.
- e. The CAPTIVA EROSION PREVENTION DISTRICT, Florida, hereby waives the procedures and formalities otherwise required by law, regarding procurement and expenditures as deemed necessary by the CEPD Administrator including, but not limited to:
 - 1) Performance of public work and taking whatever action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community;
 - 2) Entering into contracts;
 - 3) Incurring obligations;
 - 4) Hiring of personnel including permanent, temporary and volunteer workers or independent contractors to perform tasks related to COVID 19;
 - 5) Rental of equipment;
 - 6) Acquisition and distribution, with or without compensation, of supplies, materials and facilities;
 - 7) Appropriation and expenditure of public funds.

Section 5. The CEPD Administrator is hereby delegated, authorized and designated as the declaring official for purposes of implementing the CEPD's Emergency Operations Plan, extending or terminating the provisions of this Emergency Resolution CEPD's Authority, all emergency powers as provided in Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, and all other powers set forth in any Executive Order that may be issued by the President of the United States of America, the Governor of the State of Florida and Resolutions and Declarations of Lee County Florida.

<u>Section 6.</u> The CEPD Administrator shall appoint and delegate a staff member to act as an interim CEPD Administrator on behalf of the CEPD Administrator if the CEPD Administrator can no longer perform the functions of the office and this Resolution.

<u>Section 7.</u> The CEPD Administrator shall be delegated the authority and discretion to manage employees, employee schedules, modify office hours, additional office cleaning and best disinfection procedures, and allow for remote work at home hours and other personnel and staffing arrangements as needed during the state of emergency.

<u>Section 8.</u> This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption and shall be automatically extended every seven (7) days until this national, state and local State of Emergency is concluded and this Resolution is no longer needed, or all or some of the terms of this Resolution are rescinded, amended or replaced by the CEPD or by the CEPD Administrator.

DULY INTRODUCED, PASSED AND ENACTED by the CEPD Board of Commissioners of the CAPTIVA EROSION PREVENTION DISTRICT, on Captiva Island, in Lee County, Florida this 19th day of March, 2020.

	CHAIRMAN, Michael Mullins	
ATTEST:		
CEPD Assistant Administrator, Kimmy I	Foulds	
Approved as to legal sufficiency:		
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CEPD Attorney, Ralf Brookes Attorney		

STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 20-51

(Establishes COVID-19 Response Protocol and Directs Public Health Emergency)

WHEREAS, Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a severe acute respiratory illness that can spread among humans through respiratory transmission and presents with symptoms similar to those of influenza; and

WHEREAS, in late 2019, a new and significant outbreak of COVID-19 emerged in China; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a Public Health Emergency of International Concern; and

WHEREAS, in response to the recent COVID-19 outbreak in China, Iran, Italy and South Korea, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") has deemed it necessary to prohibit or restrict non-essential travel to or from those countries; and

WHEREAS, in response to the recent COVID-19 outbreak in Japan, the CDC has advised older travelers and those with chronic medical conditions to avoid nonessential travel and all travelers to exercise enhanced precautions; and

WHEREAS, the CDC currently recommends community preparedness and everyday prevention measures be taken by all individuals and families in the United States, including voluntary home isolation when individuals are sick with respiratory symptoms, covering coughs and sneezes with a tissue and disposal of the tissue immediately thereafter, washing hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, use of alcohol-based hand sanitizers with 60%-95%



alcohol if soap and water are not readily available and routinely cleaning frequently touched surfaces and objects to increase community resilience and readiness for responding to an outbreak; and

WHEREAS, two individuals in the State of Florida tested presumptively positive for COVID-19, including a resident of Manatee County and a resident of Hillsborough County; and

WHEREAS, the CDC currently recommends mitigation measures in communities with COVID-19 cases, including staying at home when sick, keeping away from others who are sick and staying at home when a household member is sick with respiratory disease symptoms or if instructed to do so by public health officials or a health care provider; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and appropriate to take action to ensure that COVID-19 remains controlled and that residents and visitors in Florida remain safe and secure;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS, as Governor of Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Article IV, Section (1)(a) of the Florida Constitution, and all other applicable laws, promulgate the following Executive Order to take immediate effect:

Section 1. Because of the foregoing conditions, I direct the State Health Officer and Surgeon General, Dr. Scott Rivkees, to declare a public health emergency in the State of Florida, pursuant to his authority in section 381.00315, Florida Statutes. The State Health Officer is authorized and directed to use his judgment as to the duration of this public health emergency.

Section 2. In accordance with section 381.0011(7), Florida Statutes, I direct the State Health Officer to take any action necessary to protect the public health.

Section 3. I direct the State Health Officer to follow the guidelines established by the CDC in establishing protocols to control the spread of COVID-19 and educate the public on prevention.

Section 4. In accordance with section 381.0011(7), Florida Statutes, I designate the Florida Department of Health as the lead state agency to coordinate emergency response activities among the various state agencies and local governments. The State Health Officer, or his designee, shall advise the Executive Office of the Governor on the implementation of these emergency response activities.

Section 5. All actions taken by the State Health Officer with respect to this emergency before the issuance of this Executive Order are ratified.

Section 6. The Florida Department of Health will actively monitor, at a minimum, all persons meeting the definition of a Person Under Investigation ("PUI") as defined by the CDC for COVID-19 for a period of at least 14 days or until the PUI tests negative for COVID-19. Active monitoring by the Florida Department of Health will include at least the following:

- A. Risk assessment within 24 hours of learning an individual meets the criteria for a PUI.
- B. Twice-daily temperature checks.

Section 7. The Florida Department of Health, pursuant to its authority in section 381.00315, Florida Statutes, will ensure that all individuals meeting the CDC's definition of a PUI are isolated or quarantined for a period of 14 days or until the person tests negative for COVID-19.

Section 8. I hereby direct the Florida Department of Health to make its own determinations as to quarantine, isolation and other necessary public health interventions as permitted under Florida law.

Section 9. I direct all agencies under the direction of the Governor to fully cooperate with the Florida Department of Health, and any representative thereof in furtherance of this Order.

Agencies not under the direction of the Governor are requested to provide such assistance as is required.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, this 1st day of March, 2020.

RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

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STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 20-52

(Emergency Management - COVID-19 Public Health Emergency)

WHEREAS, Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a severe acute respiratory illness that can spread among humans through respiratory transmission and presents with symptoms similar to those of influenza; and

WHEREAS, in late 2019, a new and significant outbreak of COVID-19 emerged in China; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization previously declared COVID-19 a Public Health Emergency of International Concern; and

WHEREAS, in response to the recent COVID-19 outbreak in China, Iran, Italy, Japan and South Korea, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") has deemed it necessary to prohibit or restrict non-essential travel to or from those countries; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, I issued Executive Order number 20-51 directing the Florida Department of Health to issue a Public Health Emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, the State Surgeon General and State Health Officer declared a Public Health Emergency exists in the State of Florida as a result of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2020, I directed the Director of the Division of Emergency Management to activate the State Emergency Operations Center to Level 2 to provide coordination and response to the COVID-19 emergency; and

WHEREAS, as of March 9, 2020, eight counties in Florida have positive cases for COVID-19, and COVID-19 poses a risk to the entire state of Florida; and



WHEREAS, the CDC currently recommends community preparedness and everyday prevention measures be taken by all individuals and families in the United States, including voluntary home isolation when individuals are sick with respiratory symptoms, covering coughs and sneezes with a tissue and disposal of the tissue immediately thereafter, washing hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, using of alcohol-based hand sanitizers with 60%-95% alcohol if soap and water are not readily available and routinely cleaning frequently touched surfaces and objects to increase community resilience and readiness for responding to an outbreak; and

WHEREAS, the CDC currently recommends mitigation measures for communities experiencing an outbreak including staying at home when sick, keeping away from others who are sick, limiting face-to-face contact with others as much as possible, consulting with your healthcare provider if individuals or members of a household are at high risk for COVID-19 complications, wearing a facemask if advised to do so by a healthcare provider or by a public health official, staying home when a household member is sick with respiratory disease symptoms if instructed to do so by public health officials or a health care provider; and

WHEREAS, as Governor, I am responsible for meeting the dangers presented to this state and its people by this emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS, as Governor of Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Article IV, Section (1)(a) of the Florida Constitution, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, and all other applicable laws, promulgate the following Executive Order to take immediate effect:

Section 1. Because of the foregoing conditions, I declare a state of emergency exists in the State of Florida.

Section 2. I designate the Director of the Division of Emergency Management ("Director") as the State Coordinating Officer for the duration of this emergency and direct him to execute the State's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and other response, recovery, and mitigation plans necessary to cope with the emergency. Additionally, I designate the State Health Officer and Surgeon General as a Deputy State Coordinating Officer and State Incident Commander.

Pursuant to section 252.36(1)(a), Florida Statutes, I delegate to the State Coordinating Officer the authority to exercise those powers delineated in sections 252.36(5)-(10), Florida Statutes, which he shall exercise as needed to meet this emergency, subject to the limitations of section 252.33, Florida Statutes. In exercising the powers delegated by this Order, the State Coordinating Officer shall confer with the Governor to the fullest extent practicable. The State Coordinating Officer shall also have the authority to:

- A. Seek direct assistance and enter into agreements with any and all agencies of the United States Government as may be needed to meet the emergency.
 - B. Designate additional Deputy State Coordinating Officers, as necessary.
- C. Suspend the effect of any statute, rule, or order that would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay any mitigation, response, or recovery action necessary to cope with this emergency.
- D. Enter orders as may be needed to implement any of the foregoing powers; however, the requirements of sections 252.46 and 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, do not apply to any such orders issued by the State Coordinating Officer; however, no such order shall remain in effect beyond the expiration of this Executive Order, to include any extension.

Section 3. I order the Adjutant General to activate the Florida National Guard, as needed, to deal with this emergency.

Section 4. I find that the special duties and responsibilities resting upon some State, regional, and local agencies and other governmental bodies in responding to the emergency may require them to suspend the application of the statutes, rules, ordinances, and orders they administer. Therefore, I issue the following authorizations:

A. Pursuant to section 252.36(1)(a), Florida Statutes, the Executive Office of the Governor may suspend all statutes and rules affecting budgeting to the extent necessary to provide budget authority for state agencies to cope with this emergency. The requirements of sections 252.46 and 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, do not apply to any such suspension issued by the Executive Office of the Governor; however, no such suspension shall remain in effect beyond the expiration of this Executive Order, to include any extension.

B. Each State agency may suspend the provisions of any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or the orders or rules of that agency, if strict compliance with the provisions of any such statute, order, or rule would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the emergency. This includes, but is not limited to, the authority to suspend any and all statutes, rules, ordinances, or orders which affect leasing, printing, purchasing, travel, and the condition of employment and the compensation of employees. For the purposes of this Executive Order, "necessary action in coping with the emergency" means any emergency mitigation, response, or recovery action: (1) prescribed in the State Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan ("CEMP"); or (2) ordered by the State Coordinating Officer. The requirements of sections 252.46 and 120.54, Florida Statutes, shall not apply to any such suspension issued by a State agency; however, no such suspension shall remain in effect beyond the expiration of this Executive Order, to include any extensions.

- C. In accordance with section 465.0275, Florida Statutes, pharmacists may dispense up to a 30-day emergency prescription refill of maintenance medication to persons who reside in an area or county covered under this Executive Order and to emergency personnel who have been activated by their state and local agency but who do not reside in an area or county covered by this Executive Order.
- D. In accordance with section 252.38, Florida Statutes, each political subdivision within the State of Florida may waive the procedures and formalities otherwise required of the political subdivision by law pertaining to:
- 1) Performance of public work and taking whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community;
- 2) Entering into contracts; however, political subdivisions are cautioned against entering into time and materials contracts without ceiling as defined by 2 CFR 200.318(j) or cost plus percentage contracts as defined by 2 CFR 200.323(d);
 - 3) Incurring obligations;
 - 4) Employment of permanent and temporary workers;
 - 5) Utilization of volunteer workers:
 - 6) Rental of equipment;
- 7) Acquisition and distribution, with or without compensation, of supplies, materials, and facilities; and,
 - 8) Appropriation and expenditure of public funds.
- E. All State agencies responsible for the use of State buildings and facilities may close such buildings and facilities in those portions of the State affected by this emergency, to the extent necessary to meet this emergency. I direct each State agency to report the closure of any State

building or facility to the Secretary of the Department of Management Services. Under the authority contained in section 252.36, Florida Statutes, I direct each County to report the closure of any building or facility operated or maintained by the County or any political subdivision therein to the Secretary of the Department of Management Services. Furthermore, I direct the Secretary of the Department of Management Services to:

- 1) Maintain an accurate and up-to-date list of all such closures; and,
- 2) Provide that list daily to the State Coordinating Officer.

Section 5. I find that the demands placed upon the funds appropriated to the agencies of the State of Florida and to local agencies are unreasonably great and the funds currently available may be inadequate to pay the costs of coping with this emergency. In accordance with section 252.37(2), Florida Statutes, I direct that sufficient funds be made available, as needed, by transferring and expending moneys appropriated for other purposes, moneys from unappropriated surplus funds, or from the Budget Stabilization Fund.

Section 6. All State agencies entering emergency final orders or other final actions in response to this emergency shall advise the State Coordinating Officer contemporaneously or as soon as practicable.

Section 7. Medical professionals and workers, social workers, and counselors with good and valid professional licenses issued by states other than the State of Florida may render such services in Florida during this emergency for persons affected by this emergency with the condition that such services be rendered to such persons free of charge, and with the further condition that such services be rendered under the auspices of the American Red Cross or the Florida Department of Health.

ATTEST:

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, this 9th day of March, 2020

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PROCLAMATIONS

Proclamation on Declaring a National Emergency Concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Outbreak

Issued on: March 13, 2020

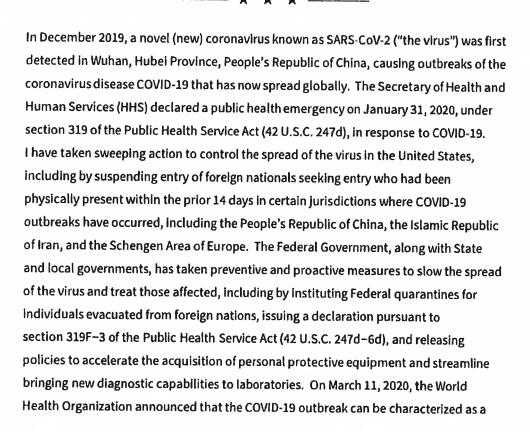


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pandemic, as the rates of infection continue to rise in many locations around the world and across the United States.

The spread of COVID-19 within our Nation's communities threatens to strain our Nation's healthcare systems. As of March 12, 2020, 1,645 people from 47 States have been infected with the virus that causes COVID-19. It is incumbent on hospitals and medical facilities throughout the country to assess their preparedness posture and be prepared to surge capacity and capability. Additional measures, however, are needed to successfully contain and combat the virus in the United States.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DONALD J. TRUMP, President of the United States, by the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, including sections 201 and 301 of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 *et seq.*) and consistent with section 1135 of the Social Security Act (SSA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 1320b-5), do hereby find and proclaim that the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States constitutes a national emergency, beginning March 1, 2020. Pursuant to this declaration, I direct as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. <u>Emergency Authority</u>. The Secretary of HHS may exercise the authority under section 1135 of the SSA to temporarily waive or modify certain requirements of the Medicare, Medicaid, and State Children's Health Insurance programs and of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act Privacy Rule throughout the duration of the public health emergency declared in response to the COVID-19 outbreak.

Sec. 2. Certification and Notice. In exercising this authority, the Secretary of HHS shall provide certification and advance written notice to the Congress as required by section 1135(d) of the SSA (42 U.S.C. 1320b-5(d)).

<u>Sec. 3. General Provisions.</u> (a) Nothing in this proclamation shall be construed to impair or otherwise affect:

- (i) the authority granted by law to an executive department or agency, or the head thereof; or
- (ii) the functions of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget relating to budgetary, administrative, or legislative proposals.
- (b) This proclamation shall be implemented consistent with applicable law and subject to the availability of appropriations.
- (c) This proclamation is not intended to, and does not, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the United States, its departments, agencies, or entities, its officers, employees, or agents, or any other person.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this thirteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-fourth.

DONALD J. TRUMP

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15 DAYS TO SLOW THE SPREAD

Listen to and follow the directions of your STATE AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

IF YOU FEEL SICK, stay home. Do not go to work. Contact your medical provider.

IF YOUR CHILDREN ARE SICK, keep them at home. Do not send them to school. Contact your medical provider.

IF SOMEONE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD HAS TESTED POSITIVE for the coronavirus, keep the entire household at home. Do not go to work. Do not go to school. Contact your medical provider.

IF YOU ARE AN OLDER PERSON, stay home and away from other people.

IF YOU ARE A PERSON WITH A SERIOUS UNDERLYING HEALTH CONDITION that can put you at increased risk (for example, a condition that impairs your lung or heart function or weakens your immune system), stay home and away from other people.





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Even if you are young, or otherwise healthy, you are at risk and your activities can increase the risk for others. It is critical that you do your part to slow the spread of the coronavirus.

Work or engage in schooling FROM HOME whenever possible.

IF YOU WORK IN A CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE INDUSTRY, as defined by the Department of Homeland Security, such as healthcare services and pharmaceutical and food supply, you have a special responsibility to maintain your normal work schedule. You and your employers should follow CDC guidance to protect your health at work.

AVOID SOCIAL GATHERINGS in groups of more than 10 people.

Avoid eating or drinking at bars, restaurants, and food courts—USE DRIVE-THRU, PICKUP, OR DELIVERY OPTIONS.

AVOID DISCRETIONARY TRAVEL, shopping trips, and social visits.

DO NOT VISIT nursing homes or retirement or long-term care facilities unless to provide critical assistance.

PRACTICE GOOD HYGIENE:

- Wash your hands, especially after touching any frequently used item or surface.
- Avoid touching your face.
- Sneeze or cough into a tissue, or the inside of your elbow.
- Disinfect frequently used items and surfaces as much as possible.

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Governors should close schools in communities that are near areas of community transmission, even if those areas are in neighboring states. In addition, state and local officials should School operations can accelerate the spread of the coronavirus. Governors of states with evidence of community transmission should close schools in affected and surrounding areas. close schools where coronavirus has been identified in the population associated with the school. States and localities that close schools need to address childcare needs of critical responders, as well as the nutritional needs of children.

Older people are particularly at risk from the coronavirus. All states should follow Federal guidance and halt social visits to nursing homes and retirement and long-term care facilities.

In states with evidence of community transmission, bars, restaurants, food courts, gyms, and other indoor and outdoor venues where groups of people congregate should be closed.

LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA EMERGENCY RESOLUTION NO. 20-03-18 DECLARING A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, §252.38 (3) (a) (5), Florida Statutes, provides authority to a political subdivision to declare a State of Local Emergency for a period of seven (7) days in order to take whatever action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, the Governor of Florida issued Executive Order Number 20-51 (Exhibit A) directing the State Health Officer and Surgeon General to declare a Public Health Emergency to ensure that the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) remains controlled and that residents and visitors in Florida remain safe and secure; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, the Governor of Florida issued Executive Order Number 20-52 declaring a State of Emergency for the State of Florida due to the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) (Exhibit B); and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, Lee County Board of County Commissioners recognizing the danger posed to residents and visitors started its response; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, the President of the United States issued a Proclamation declaring a National Emergency to address the spread of COVID-19 (Exhibit C); and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a serious respiratory illness that causes symptoms similar to influenza including coughing, fever, and shortness of breath; and

WHEREAS, a significant outbreak of COVID-19 has spread to other countries, including the United States and now Lee County;

WHEREAS, in Lee County several people have tested positive for COVID-19 and two have died from the disease; and



WHEREAS, Lee County Ordinance 87-01, authorizes the Chairperson of the Board of County Commissioners, or the Vice Chairperson in his or her absence, or the County Manager or his designee in the absence of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson to declare a State of Local Emergency when immediate and expeditious action is required to protect lives; and

WHEREAS, Lee County Ordinance 87-01, authorizes the Chairperson of the Board of County Commissioners, or the Vice Chairperson in his or her absence, or the County Manager or his designee in the absence of the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson to extend the declaration of the State of Local Emergency for seven (7) day increments or terminate the State of Local Emergency; and

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED THIS 17th day of March, 2020, that COVID-19 poses a serious threat to the lives of the residents of Lee County and that a State of Local Emergency shall be declared, effective immediately, for all unincorporated and incorporated areas within the local boundaries of Lee County, Florida.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of County Commissioners hereby exercises its authority and waives the county policies, procedures and formalities required by law of a political subdivision, as provided in §252.38 (3) (a) (5), Florida Statutes; and authorizes the County Manager or designee to take whatever prudent action necessary to effectuate protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the community.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Chair or Designee

Office of the County Attorney

ATTEST:

LINDA DOGGETT, CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM FOR THE RELIANCE OF LEE COUNTY ONLY:

Deputy Clerk

Exhibit A Executive Order 20-51 Exhibit B Executive Order 20-52 Exhibit C

Presidential Proclamation

STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 20-68

(Emergency Management - COVID-19)

WHEREAS. Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a severe acute respiratory illness that can spread among humans through respiratory transmission and presents with symptoms similar to those of influenza; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, I issued Executive Order number 20-51 directing the Florida Department of Health to issue a Public Health Emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, the State Surgeon General and State Health Officer declared a Public Health Emergency exists in the State of Florida as a result of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, I issued Executive Order 20-52 declaring a state of emergency for the entire State of Florida as a result of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS. on March 16, 2020, President Donald J. Trump and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") issued the 15 Days to Slow the Spread guidance advising individuals to adopt far-reaching social distancing measures, such as working from home and avoiding gatherings of more than 10 people; and

WHEREAS, as Governor, I am responsible for meeting the dangers presented to this state and its people by this emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS, as Governor of Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Article IV, Section (1)(a) of the Florida Constitution, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, and all other applicable laws, promulgate the following Executive Order to take immediate effect:



Section 1. Bars, Pubs and Nightclubs

A. Pursuant to sections 252.36(5)(g)-(h), Florida Statutes, any licensee authorized to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on premises that derive more than 50% of its gross revenue from the sale of alcoholic beverages shall suspend all sale of alcoholic beverages for thirty days from the date of this order, effective at 5 p.m. today, March 17, 2020.

B. The Department of Business and Professional Regulation shall utilize its authorities under Florida law to further implement and enforce the provisions of this Section and shall take additional measures with respect to bars, pubs and nightclubs as necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

Section 2. Beaches

Pursuant to section 252.36(5)(k), Florida Statutes, I direct parties accessing public beaches in the State of Florida to follow the CDC guidance by limiting theirs gatherings to no more than 10 persons, distance themselves from other parties by 6 feet, and support beach closures at the discretion of local authorities.

Section 3. Restaurants

- A. Pursuant to section 252.36(5)(g), Florida Statutes, a restaurant shall immediately limit its occupancy to 50% of its current building occupancy.
- B. Pursuant to section 252.36(5)(g), Florida Statutes, a restaurant shall follow the CDC guidance by ensuring, at minimum, a 6-foot distance between any group of patrons and limiting parties to no more than 10 individuals.
- C. The Department of Business and Professional Regulation shall ensure all restaurants implement employee screening and prohibit any employee from entering the restaurant premises if they meet any of the criteria listed below:

- 1) Any person infected with COVID-19 who has not had two consecutive negative test results separated by 24 hours:
- 2) Any person showing, presenting signs or symptoms of, or disclosing the presence of a respiratory infection, including cough, fever, shortness of breath or sore throat;
- 3) Any person who has been in contact with any person(s) known to be infected with COVID-19, who has not yet tested negative for COVID-19 within the past 14 days:
 - 4) Any person who traveled through any airport within the past 14 days; or
 - 5) Any person who traveled on a cruise ship within the past 14 days.
- D. The Department of Business and Professional Regulation shall utilize its authorities under Florida law to further implement and enforce the provisions of this Section and shall take additional measures with respect to bars, pubs and nightclubs as necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

For purposes of this section, "restaurant" shall include any Food Service Establishment, licensed under Chapter 500, Florida Statutes, and Public Food Service Establishment, licensed under Chapter 509, Florida Statutes.

Section 4. This Executive Order shall expire thirty days from this date unless extended.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to flixed, at Tallahassee, this 17th day of Ma

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RON DESANTIS. GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

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