

RESOLUTION NO. 129-20

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA, CONFIRMING A DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY; EXTENDING DIRECTIVES ON WEARING OF FACIAL COVERINGS CONSISTENT WITH PALM BEACH COUNTY COVID-19 ORDER NUMBER 2020-016; PROVIDING A CONFLICTS CLAUSE, AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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

WHEREAS, ON March 13, 2020, Palm Beach County declared a local State of Emergency due to the Coronavirus pandemic, which has been extended in accordance with applicable law; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, a State of Emergency in the City of Delray Beach was proclaimed by the City Commission, which has been extended fifteen times due to the spread of the Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, Palm Beach County is in Full Phase 1 pursuant to Executive Order 20-123 issued by Governor Desantis providing for the limited reopening of certain businesses; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Alina Alonso, the Florida Department of Health's Palm Beach County Director, continues to stress the importance of social distancing and the wearing of facial coverings in order to mitigate the impacts and spread of Coronavirus; and

WHEREAS, on May 16, 2020, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners through the County Administrator, issued Emergency Order 2020-004, providing for a mandatory requirement to wear facial covers while utilizing Palm Tran transit services; and

WHEREAS, thereafter, on June 4, 2020, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners through the County Administrator issued Emergency Order 2020-010, mandating the use of facial coverings in County-owned and operated buildings; and

WHEREAS, on June 24, 2020, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners issued Order No. 2020-012, providing for additional directives on the wearing of facial covering in all businesses and establishments and outdoor public spaces where social distancing is not possible; and

WHEREAS, on July 24, 2020, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners through the County Administrator issued Emergency Order No. 2020-016, extending its directive on facial coverings through 12:01 a.m. on August 23, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida, and specifically Palm Beach County, continues to experience a sharp rise in the number of positive COVID-19 cases. Most recently, Palm Beach County COVID-19 cases have increased by approximately 15,000 cases. The City finds that additional measures are necessary in order to minimize the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the City now desires to extend the mandate for the use of facial coverings in order to remain consistent with the County's directives; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 95 of the City of Delray Beach Code of Ordinances authorizes the City Manager to take necessary measures in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Delray Beach and the public at large; and

WHEREAS, the City of Delray Beach wishes to adopt, by reference, Palm Beach County Emergency Order 2020-016 providing for the extension of Palm Beach County Order 2020-016.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. A declaration of a State of Emergency proclaimed on March 13, 2020 is hereby confirmed.

Section 2. The City of Delray Beach hereby adopts and incorporates by reference Palm Beach County Emergency Order Number 2020-016 dated July 24, 2020, attached hereto and incorporated herein as **Exhibit A**.

Section 3. This Resolution does not affect or limit the operations of Palm Beach County, the Palm Beach County School District, or any State or Federal office or facility.

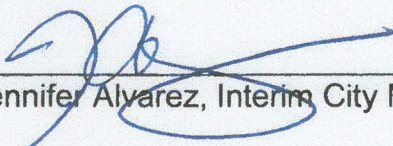
Section 4. Medical and surgical face masks, such as "N95" masks or other similar medical or surgical masks, are in short supply and should be reserved for health care personnel and other first responders with the greatest need for such personal protective equipment. Persons are encouraged to review and comply with the CDC and Florida Department of Health guidelines on personal protective equipment, including with respect to the use of a medical or surgical face mask, such as an "N95" mask or other similar medical or surgical mask. This Resolution should not be construed as to require the utilization of surgical masks or "N95" respirators. To the extent possible, persons should refrain from utilizing surgical masks and "N95" respirators, which are in short supply and which should be reserved for healthcare workers or other medical first responders as recommended by CDC guidance. Instead, persons are encouraged to utilize facial coverings as defined in Section 5 of Palm Beach County Emergency Order 2020-012.

Section 5. Any provision(s) within this Resolution that conflict with any state or federal law or constitutional provision, or conflicts with, or are superseded by, a current or subsequently issued Executive Order of the Governor or President of the United States, shall be deemed inapplicable and deemed to be severed from this Resolution, with the remainder of the Resolution remaining intact and in full force and effect.

Section 6. Violations of the provisions of this Resolution shall be subject to enforcement pursuant to Chapter 95 of the Delray Beach Code of Ordinances.

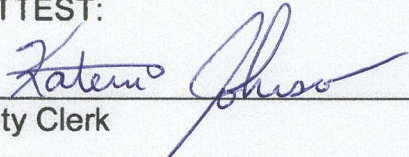
Section 7. This Resolution shall be effective immediately. This Resolution shall expire at 12:01 a.m. on August 23, 2020, consistent with Palm Beach County Emergency Order 2020-016.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this the 24th day of July, 2020.



Jennifer Alvarez, Interim City Manager

ATTEST:



Katerine Johnson
City Clerk



**EMERGENCY ORDER NUMBER 16
PALM BEACH COUNTY COVID-19
EXTENSION OF FACIAL COVERINGS DIRECTIVE**

WHEREAS, COVID-19, a respiratory illness caused by a virus that spreads rapidly from person to person and may result in serious illness or death, constitutes a clear and present threat to the lives, health, welfare, and safety of the people of Palm Beach County; and

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

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, pursuant to Section 252.38(3)(a)(5), Florida Statutes, Palm Beach County declared a local State of Emergency due to the Coronavirus pandemic, which has since been extended in accordance with applicable law; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis also issued Executive Order 20-83 directing the State Surgeon General and the State Health Officer to issue a public health advisory for senior persons and persons that have a serious underlying medical condition that places them at a high risk of severe illness from COVID-19 to stay at home. Such conditions include, but are not limited to, chronic lung disease or moderate to severe asthma, serious heart conditions, immunocompromised status, including those in cancer treatment, and severe obesity; and

WHEREAS, Governor Ron DeSantis has issued a number of subsequent Executive Orders in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, including Executive Order 20-112, a Phase 1: Safe Smart Step-by-Step Plan for Florida's Recovery, under which the Governor re-opened certain businesses, and Executive Order 20-120 which, among other things, served to include Palm Beach County under Phase 1, and Executive Order 20-123, in which the Governor extended and brought all Florida counties into Full Phase 1; and

WHEREAS, Palm Beach County remains in Phase 1 in accordance with Executive Order 20-123 and Executive Order 20-139 issued by Governor DeSantis on June 3, 2020. The Phase 1 restrictions allow indoor seating in restaurants at 50% capacity with appropriate partitioning in place between parties. Outdoor seating and take-out service is permitted; however, bar counters remain closed to seating, and eating at bars within restaurants is not allowed. Bars and nightclubs remain closed in Palm Beach County; and

WHEREAS, Palm Beach County experienced a sharp increase in the number of positive cases of COVID-19 in late May and June, and the Board of County Commissioners determined that additional measures were needed to minimize the spread of COVID-19. Accordingly, the County Administrator on June 24, 2020, issued an additional order mandating the wearing of facial coverings in all businesses and establishments and in public spaces where social distancing is not possible; and

WHEREAS, since June 24, 2020, the number of COVID-19 cases in Palm Beach County has increased by approximately 15,000 cases which is approximately a 57% increase; and

WHEREAS, since June 24, 2020, the positivity rate for COVID-19 in Palm Beach County has increased by approximately 25% to over 12%; and

WHEREAS, hospital bed utilization including ICU bed use, has also increased during the same time period due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has reviewed the latest science and has affirmed that cloth face coverings are a critical tool in the fight against COVID-19, citing increased evidence that cloth face coverings help prevent people who have COVID-19 from spreading the virus to others; and

WHEREAS, the CDC is recommending the use of face coverings and on July 14, 2020, called on all Americans to wear masks to prevent COVID-19 spread; and

WHEREAS, Emergency Order Number 2020-012, **Additional Directive on Wearing of Facial Coverings**, shall expire on July 24, 2020, at 12:01 a.m. unless extended by subsequent order or Board of County Commissioners action; and

WHEREAS, considering the most current data on COVID-19 spread in Palm Beach County, Southeast Florida and the entire State of Florida, as well as the CDC recommendations on wearing of facial coverings, the County Administrator has determined that it is necessary and appropriate to extend Emergency Order Number 2020-012 for an additional thirty (30) days.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED pursuant to Palm Beach County Code Chapter 9, Article II, Section 9-35, as well as the authorities granted to me by Declaration of Emergency issued by Governor DeSantis in Executive Order 20-52, by Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, by the Board of County Commissioners, by the Palm Beach County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan, and as otherwise provided by law, I hereby order as follows:

1. **Recitals.** The foregoing recitals are hereby incorporated herein by reference.
2. **Extension.** Executive Order 2020-012 is hereby extended until 12:01 a.m. on August 23, 2020.

3. **Conflicts.** Any provision(s) within this Order that conflict(s) with any state or federal law or constitutional provision, or conflict(s) with, or are superseded by, a current or subsequently-issued Executive Order of the Governor or the President of the United States, shall be deemed inapplicable and deemed to be severed from this Order, with the remainder of the Order remaining intact and in full force and effect. To the extent application of some or all of the provisions of this Order is prohibited on the sovereign land of a federally or state recognized sovereign or Indian tribe, such application is expressly excluded from this Order. The provisions of this Order shall supersede the specific provisions of any previously issued County Emergency Order that is contrary to or in conflict with this Order.

4. **Effective Date.** This Order shall be effective as of 12:01 a.m. on July 24, 2020.

PALM BEACH COUNTY

By: *Vernicia C. Baker*
County Administrator

July 23, 2020
Date

APPROVED AS TO
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

By: *Denise Marie Nieman*
County Attorney

ATTEST

CLERK & COMPTROLLER

By: *Shawn R. Beck*
Deputy Clerk