RESOLUTION NO. 2020- 6

GLADES COUNTY PROCLAMATION DECLARING STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Glades County Ordinance <u>84-8</u> provides that a State of Emergency shall be declared by proclamation of the Chairman in his absence, or by the Board's Designee in the absence of the Chairman and Vice Chairman; and,

WHEREAS, Glades County may suffer from the direct and / or indirect effects of COVID-19:

WHEREAS, Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19") is an infectious disease

caused by a new virus that has not been previously identified in humans, which causes
respiratory illness (like the flu) with symptoms such as a cough, fever and in more severe
cases, pneumonia.

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, Governor Ron Desantis issued Executive Order 20-51, declaring that appropriate measures to control the spread of COVID-19 in the State of Florida are necessary, and therefore directed that a Public Health Emergency be declared in the State of Florida.

WHEREAS, Chapter 252.38 (3) (a), Florida Statutes, provides authority for a political subdivision such as Glades County to declare a State of Local Emergency and activate the County's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and to waive the procedures and formalities otherwise required of political subdivisions and by law pertaining to:

- Performance or public works and taking whatever actions are necessary to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the community;
- 2. Entering into contracts;
- 3. Incurring obligations;
- 4. Employment of permanent and temporary workers:
- 5. Utilize of Volunteer workers;
- 6. Rental of equipment
- 7. Acquisition and distribution, with or without compensation, of supplies, materials and facilities;
- 8. Appropriation and expenditure of public funds.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Chairman of the County Commissioners of Glades County, Florida, <u>COVID-19</u> poses a serious threat to injury and illness to the lives and property of the residents of Glades County and that the State of Local Emergency is in effect until the situation is under control, for all territory within the legal boundaries of Glades County, proving all unincorporated and incorporated areas shall be embraced by the provisions of this proclamation.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that the Chairman of County Commissioners hereby exercises his authority as required by law, as provided in Chapter 252.38 (3) (a) 5, Florida Statutes.

DONE AND ADOPTED this 19th day of March 2020.

(SEAL)

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA

BY:

Tim Stanley, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sandra Brown, County Clerk

