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MEDIA RELEASE

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Hernando County extends local state of emergency declaration

(Brooksville, FL) As of April 16, 2020, the Hernando County Executive Policy Group has extended the Local State of Emergency declaration for Hernando County, PROCLAMATION NO. 2020-05.

This extension provides Hernando County Government the authority to continue to take action as needed to ensure the health, safety and welfare of our community in response to COVID-19. This includes making emergency purchases, obtaining additional resources, renting equipment, hiring workers, utilizing volunteers, etc. The Local State of Emergency extension will be in effect for seven days, or until rescinded or extended.

Hernando County Government's Office of Emergency Management continues to monitor this rapidly evolving situation. Visit the following web and social media sites for more information:

- Residents should monitor trusted sources of information such as the Florida Department
 of Health (FDOH) website at www.FloridaHealth.gov/COVID-19 and the Centers for
 Disease Control and Prevention website at www.CDC.gov to learn the facts and to follow
 recommendations to prevent the spread of disease.
- FDOH has set up a call center for general questions regarding COVID-19 at (866) 779-6121, operating 24/7
- Call the COVID-19 Public information Center phone line at (352) 540-6233 for questions related to Hernando County and COVID-19
- Visit <u>www.HernandoCounty.us/COVID19</u> for information on all Hernando County Government updates regarding COVID-19
- For information on refreshing your emergency supply kits and plans go to www.HernandoCounty.us/em
- Sign up to receive emergency alerts at www.AlertHernando.org
- Follow us on Facebook @HernandoCoGov and Twitter @HernandoCoGov