WHEREAS, Governor Ron DeSantis has issued Executive Order 20-51 declaring a public health emergency as the result of the spread of the COVID-19 virus; and,

WHEREAS, as the virus spread Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-52 declaring a general state of emergency in all the counties of the State; and,

WHEREAS, President Donald Trump has declared a National State of Emergency due to the COVID-19 virus; and,

WHEREAS, the Governor and the Department of Health have issued several Orders and Directives regarding public safety and limiting public activities to limit the spread of the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, the number of suspected and diagnosed cases in the State of Florida and specifically Alachua County continue to climb; and,

WHEREAS, a Proclamation Declaring a State of Emergency in Alachua County was issued on March 16th beginning at 1:04 p.m. which has been extended two times in most recently in Order 20-14; and,

WHEREAS, the Chair of the Board of County Commission is the Official Authority as prescribed in the County’s Code §27.07.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to Alachua County Code Section §27.07, the Chair of the Board of County Commissioners sitting as the Official Authority hereby resolves, finds, and declares:

1. The above recitals are true.

2. The State of Emergency proclaimed on March 16th shall continue uninterrupted for 7 days beginning at April 13th at 1:04 p.m. unless extended.

3. I intend to extend this order by one or more subsequent orders, through a date not earlier than April 20th, 2020.
4. All other provisions of the proclamation and orders entered pursuant to the proclamation shall remain in force.

5. In accordance with §252.46(2) this order shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Clerk of Courts for Alachua County.

Dated this 13th day of April, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ALACHUA COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: Robert Hutchinson, Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

County Attorney’s Office