

**EXECUTIVE ORDER REGARDING COVID-19
(ENACTING EXECUTIVE ORDER 20-91, AS DECLARED BY GOVERNOR RON
DE SANTIS ON APRIL 1, 2020; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE)**

WHEREAS, in response to the emergence of a Novel Coronavirus and the respiratory disease it causes (“COVID-19”), the World Health Organization (WHO) has officially characterized COVID-19 as a pandemic that constitutes a Public Health Emergency of International Concern; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 20-51, declaring that appropriate measures to control the spread of COVID-19 in the State of Florida are necessary, and accordingly the State Surgeon General and State Health Officer declared that a Public Health Emergency exists in the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 20-52 declaring a State of Emergency for the state of Florida in furtherance of efforts to respond to and mitigate the effects of COVID-19 throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, in addition to other subsequent Executive Orders issued by the Governor, the Governor found it necessary and appropriate to take action to slow the spread of COVID-19, and accordingly issued Executive Order 20-91 (“EO 20-91”) on April 1, 2020, restricting the movements and activities of people throughout the State of Florida as provided therein; and

WHEREAS, in order to fully and effectively respond to the developing threats posed by COVID-19, and in coordination with ongoing emergency actions by the State and Federal Governments, the Chairman of the Seminole County Board of County Commissioners executed Executive Order 20-001 declaring a local state of emergency in Seminole County, and subsequently such extensions and orders as have been deemed necessary have been issued; and

WHEREAS, in order to support and accomplish the public health goals of the Governor’s orders and to implement the guidance of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) as fully as possible, an order clarifying the application of EO 20-91 will aid both public compliance therewith as well as the burden on the law enforcement personnel and others charged with enforcing its terms; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to §252.38(1), Florida Statutes, and Seminole County Charter Section 72.6(b)(1) the County has jurisdictional authority over the entire County for emergency management purposes; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the County’s statutory and Charter authority, Chapter 72 of the Seminole County Code sets forth provisions intended to ensure the readiness of Seminole County, provide for the protection of the public health, safety, and welfare, and preserve the lives and property of the people of Seminole County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BY THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

Section 1. Enforceability. Executive Order 20-91, and any amendments thereafter, shall be enforceable by any county or municipal law enforcement official, code enforcement official, fire marshal, or emergency management official.

Section 2. Severability. 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.

Section 3. Applicability. This Order is in addition to the Executive Orders issued by Governor DeSantis and Seminole County. This Order applies to incorporated and unincorporated areas within Seminole County, but has no application outside of Seminole County. Prior resolutions and emergency orders remain in force and effect unless modified or superseded.

Section 4. Effective Date; Expiration Date. This Order shall become effective upon its execution. This Order will expire upon the rescission or expiration of the existing Local State of Emergency or the rescission or expiration of Executive Order 20-91, whichever occurs earlier.

ORDERED this 5 day of April, 2020; at 0700

By: 
ALAN HARRIS, Chief Administrator
Office of Emergency Management