SIXTH DIRECTIVE ON EMERGENCY MEASURES TO BE IMPLEMENTED BY THE COUNTY OF VOLUSIA

Effective April 25, 2020, at 12:01 a.m.

WHEREAS, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order No. 20-52 on March 9, 2020, declaring a state of emergency for the entire State of Florida as a result of Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19);

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the Volusia County Council issued a Declaration of State of Local Emergency Related to Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), as subsequently extended;

WHEREAS, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-91 "Safer-At-Home" which requires all persons in Florida to limit their movements and personal interactions outside of their home to only those necessary to obtain or provide essential services or conduct essential activities, including but not limited to participating in recreational activities consistent with social distancing guidelines;

WHEREAS, those persons providing essential services are available on the Division of Emergency Management's website at <u>www.floridadisaster.org</u> and the Florida Department of Health's website at <u>www.floridahealth.gov</u> and are identified as, at the time of this Sixth Directive, those persons more specifically described, listed, and limited in the Governor' Executive Order 20-91 ESSENTIAL SERVICES LIST in the following categories: Healthcare/Public Health; Law Enforcement, Public Safety, and other First Responders; Food and Agriculture; Energy; Electricity industry; Petroleum Industry; Water and Wastewater; Transportation and Logistics; Public Works and Infrastructure Support Services; Communications and Information Technology; Information Technology; Other Community- or Government-Based Operations and Essential Functions; Critical Manufacturing; Hazardous Materials; Financial Services; Chemical; Defense Industrial Base; Commercial Facilities; Residential/Shelter Facilities; and Hygiene Products and Services; WHEREAS, persons providing essential services may seek to self-quarantine away from their families using a personal mobile recreational shelter or recreational vehicle (RV) for a residential purpose on property that they own or rent in compliance with social distancing and quarantine guidelines promulgated by the Center for Disease Control (CDC);

WHEREAS, sub-paragraph (b)(5) of section 72-287, Code of Ordinances, County of Volusia, provides that RVs and other mobile recreational shelters shall not be connected to water, sewer, or electric lines or be used for residential purpose, except in a recreational vehicle park;

WHEREAS, due to the ongoing state of emergency for COVID-19, leniency should be exercised on Code Enforcement matters regarding persons providing essential services seeking to quarantine in a RV on their property, subject to confirmation of identified criteria in this Directive.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE RECKTENWALD, as County Manager for the County of Volusia, Florida, and pursuant to the authority vested in me under Section 46-143, Code of Ordinances, County of Volusia, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, as well as that certain County of Volusia Declaration of Local Emergency for Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), dated March 13, 2020, and subsequently extended, **I HEREBY ISSUE** this Sixth Directive on Emergency Measures:

- To facilitate the protection of the health safety and welfare of those persons providing essential services, the enforcement of sub-paragraph (b)(5) of Section 72-287, Code of Ordinances, County of Volusia, or any rule substantially similar to the prohibition of RVs connected to water, sewer, or electric lines or being used for a residential purpose in a residential district, is **suspended** for a specific property during the emergency period if a Code Enforcement Officer confirms the following criteria on that specific property:
 - 1. The RV is parked on the property in compliance with all other provisions of the Code, including life health safety codes, locational and setback criteria, and all other provisions in Section 72-287; and,
 - 2. The person occupying the RV is: a) employed as a person providing essential services; or, b) is a family member of the owner or tenant of the home when any of these individuals are a person providing essential services; and,
 - 3. There is a clear need to separate the occupant from the other residents of the house to ensure that all occupants are safe.

This Sixth Directive shall be effective for the duration, without lapse, of the Declaration of Local Emergency for Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19).

COUNTY OF VOLUSIA, FLORIDA

George Recktenwald County Manager

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