EXECUTIVE ORDER OF THE HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY EMERGENCY POLICY GROUP EXTENDING THE STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY DECLARED ON MARCH 12, 2020 IN RESPONSE TO A COUNTY WIDE THREAT FROM THE COVID-19 VIRUS

1	Upon motion by				Ross,	Temple Terrace	, seconded by
	Com	missioner	sSandra	Murma	an ,	the following Executive	Order was adopted by a
vote of	8	to	0	;			voting NO:

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the Hillsborough County Emergency Policy Group issued an Executive Order declaring a local state of emergency for all of Hillsborough County due to the county wide threat from the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida and Hillsborough County are continuing to experience increased reports of illnesses and persons testing positive for the virus; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020 the Governor of the State of Florida issued Executive Order Number 20-51, declaring that a public health emergency exists throughout the State of Florida as a result of the spread of the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020 the Governor of the State of Florida issued Executive Order Number 20-52, declaring that a state of emergency exists throughout the State of Florida as a result of the spread of the COVID-19 virus and its imminent threat to health and welfare of the citizens of Florida; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020 the Governor of the State of Florida issued Executive Order Number 20-68, placing restrictions on certain businesses and public gathering locations throughout the State of Florida as a result of the spread of the COVID-19 virus and its imminent threat to health and welfare of the citizens of Florida; and

WHEREAS, all three Executive Orders of the Governor remain in effect and are forecast to remain so for the foreseeable future; and

WHEREAS, there has been no indication that the spread of COVID-19 is slowing in the State of Florida and Hillsborough County; and

WHEREAS, Hillsborough County must continue to take emergency action to lessen the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 252, <u>Florida Statutes</u>, and Hillsborough County Ordinance 06-13 (Hillsborough County Code of Laws and Ordinances, Part A, Chapter 22, Article II, Sections 22-19 through 22-30), authorizes Hillsborough County to declare a state of local emergency; and

WHEREAS, a local state of emergency declared under the authority of Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, and Hillsborough County Ordinance 06-13 (Hillsborough County Code of Laws and Ordinances, Part A, Chapter 22, Article II, Sections 22-19 through 22-30), shall have a duration of no more than seven days, renewable for further periods of no more than seven days in each successive renewal period.

NOW THEREFORE, THE EMERGENCY POLICY GROUP OF HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA, IN A MEETING ASSEMBLED THIS 19TH DAY OF MARCH, 2020 ISSUES THIS EXECUTIVE ORDER RESOLVING THAT:

- 1. The said ongoing threat of COVID-19, poses a serious threat to the health and welfare of the people of Hillsborough County, Florida.
- 2. The Executive Order of the Emergency Policy Group declaring a local state of emergency on March 12, 2020 is hereby extended for another seven day period, effective immediately for the incorporated and unincorporated areas of Hillsborough County.
- 3. All provisions and authorizations contained in the Executive Order of March 12, 2020 remain in effect and are made a part of this Order.
- 4. All Hillsborough County Administrator Orders issued pursuant to the Executive Order of March 12, 2020 are incorporated into, made a part of this Order, and are hereby extended for the term of this Order.
- 5. The State of Florida Executive Order 20-68 is hereby adopted and incorporated into this Executive Order.
- 6. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon adoption, and shall remain in effect for seven days unless extended of rescinded.

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH }

I, PAT FRANK, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Ex Officio Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing Executive Order is a true and correct copy of the Executive Order adopted by the Emergency Policy Group of Hillsborough County, Florida, in its special meeting of March 19, 2020.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this 19th day of March , 2020.

APPROVED BY THE COUNTY ATTORNEY

By: Approved as to Form and Legal Sufficiency

PAT FRANK

Clerk of Circuit Court

y: / UCNU/ FOY Deputy Clerk