

CITY OF COOPER CITY

STATE OF EMERGENCY – EMERGENCY ORDER #2

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis signed Executive Order No. 20-52, thereby declaring a public health emergency in the State of Florida due to public health threat resulting from the spread of the Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (“COVID-19”); and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2020, Broward County Administrator Bertha Henry declared a state of emergency in Broward County; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the COVID-19 outbreak a global pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020, the City Manager of the City of Cooper City (the “City”) declared a state of emergency pursuant to Chapter 13, Article V of the City’s Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis signed Executive Order No. 20-68, thereby suspending the sale of alcoholic beverages at bars, pubs and nightclubs for thirty (30) days, limiting gatherings on public beaches, limiting restaurant occupancy, and requiring social distancing and employee screening, among other things; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Executive Order No. 2-68, all bars and nightclubs in the State of Florida are ordered to be closed for thirty (30) days; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 252.46, F.S., and Chapter 13 of the City’s Code of Ordinances, the City Manager, as to official who previously declared a state of emergency in the City, has the authority to issue emergency orders with the force of law; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Trump and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) issued the 15 Days to Slow the Spread guidance advising individuals to adopt far-reaching social distancing measures, such as working from home and avoiding gatherings of more than 10 people; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2020, the City of Cooper City, pursuant to authority set forth in Ch. 252, F.S., and Chapter 13, Article V of the City’s Code of Ordinances, ordered the closure of all gyms, fitness centers, fitness studios, dance studios and gymnasiums located within the City; and

WHEREAS, as of March 19, 2020, there are 390 documented cases of COVID-19 in the State of Florida, including 96 cases in Broward County; and





Greg Ross, Mayor
James C. Curran, Commissioner
Jeff Green, Commissioner
Howard Meltzer, Commissioner
Max Pulcini, Commissioner
Joseph Napoli, City Manager

WHEREAS, the City of Cooper City, following the CDC recommendations and in an effort to further protect the health, safety and welfare of the community, seeks to ensure that there are no public gatherings in the City of ten (10) or more people.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Manager of the City of Cooper City, pursuant to the authority set forth in Ch. 252, F.S., and Chapter 13, Article V of the City's Code of Ordinances, and all other applicable laws, promulgates the following Emergency Orders:

- 1) All City-owned playgrounds are closed until further notice.
- 2) Effective on March 20, 2020 at 5:00 p.m., all public gatherings of any type, whether organized or otherwise, of greater than 10 persons are prohibited. Grocery stores, gas stations, convenience stores, banks, credit unions, financial institutions, hardware stores, auto-supply stores, hospital, healthcare and medical facilities, pharmacies, drug stores, medical supply companies, land or facilities owned and managed by Cooper City, Broward County, the Broward County School Board, the North Broward Hospital District, the State of Florida, and the Federal Government, are exempt from this regulation. This restriction shall also not apply to childcare facilities that have the space and resources to ensure that no more than ten (10) individuals, including staff, are gathered in the same location within the facility.

ORDERED AND FILED with the City Clerk of the City of Cooper City on the 19 day or March 2020.



JOSEPH NAPOLI
City Manager

