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# City of Hialeah

TO: SERGIO VELAZQUEZ, CHIEF  
HIALEAH POLICE DEPARTMENT

CC: JOSEPH DZIEDZIC, DIRECTOR  
PARKS DEPARTMENT

DATE: April 29, 2020

TIME: 12:00 pm

FROM: [Signature]  
MAYOR CARLOS HERNANDEZ

ATTEST: [Signature]  
MARBELYS FATJO, CITY CLERK

## EMERGENCY ORDER CLOSING ALL CITY PARKS IN THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 20-91 and 20-92 imposing a statewide “stay at home” order to all persons except when engaged in essential services or essential activities as provided in Executive Order 20-91; and

WHEREAS, the State and County are, as is the entire country, grappling with the decision to reopen society and restart economic activity by lifting stay at home orders and closure orders; and

WHEREAS, on April 16, 2020, the President of the United States unveiled guidelines to Open Up America Again on a phased approach based upon specific criteria to evaluating the risks posed by COVID-19 and aspects of social life which as a result should remain under restrictions or should be reestablished on lesser or no restrictions; and

WHEREAS, executive officers, legislative bodies, and other public officials at all levels of government are engaging in similar analysis to best meet the needs of their respective constituent communities; and

WHEREAS, the Governor Ron DeSantis has not issued any executive order on phased reopening; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County Mayor has issued two orders allowing phased reopening of certain recreational facilities, specifically Emergency Order 21-20 on reopening parks, marinas, boat ramps and golf courses, and amendment one to Emergency Order 15-20 private common use amenities similar to those contemplated by Emergency Order 21-20, both orders effective April 29, 2020; and

WHEREAS, as of April 28, 2020, the Florida Department of Health reports Miami-Dade as the County with the highest positive cases of COVID19 at 11,704 cases; and

WHEREAS, as of April 28, 2020, the Florida Department of Health reports 10% of Countywide positive cases for residents residing within postal zip codes 33010, 33012, 33013, 33014, 33016, and 33018, all zip codes covering the City of Hialeah and other incorporated and unincorporated areas in the northwest quadrant of the County; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of the State and County Emergency Orders are minimum standards and municipalities may impose stricter standards;

WHEREAS, we remain in a state of emergency at every level of government; and

WHEREAS, the City continues to take action to slow the spread and reduce the impact of the disease to protect its residents;

THEREFORE, in response to the impending risk to the life, health, safety and welfare posed by Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) to our citizenry and pursuant to the authority set forth in Florida Statutes §252.38 and in furtherance of all national, state, county and local emergency orders issued to date not inconsistent with this order;

In order to safeguard the life, health, safety and welfare of the residents of the City of Hialeah;  
and

In an attempt to slow the spread and mitigate the potential impact of Coronavirus Disease;

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, I HEREBY ORDER:

1. Notwithstanding Miami-Dade County Order 21-20, all city owned parks, tennis courts, basketball courts, playgrounds, gymnasiums and other recreational facilities shall remain closed.
2. This Order shall remain in effect for the period of time the City's declaration of emergency remains in effect or until rescinded or modified, whichever occurs first.
3. This Emergency Order shall be strictly adhered to at all times while the City's declaration of emergency remains in effect and enforceable pursuant to Florida law.