

## CITY MARGATE

### EMERGENCY ORDER 2020-002

**WHEREAS**, the Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (“COVID-19”) is a global pandemic that spreads rapidly from person to person and may result in serious illness or death, is believed to spread by respiratory droplets that come from the mouth and nose and may even be spread by people who are asymptomatic by breathing, talking, laughing, coughing, and sneezing; and

**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 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 12, 2020 the City of Margate declared a State of Local Emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 26, 2020 the City of Margate issued Emergency Order 2020-001 ordering all residents to stay at home except when engaging in essential services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) recently issued guidance that the general population should wear cloth face coverings to capture the respiratory droplets of asymptomatic people to slow the spread of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to §252.46, Florida Statutes, and Section 33 of the City’s Code of Ordinances, the City Manager has the authority to issue emergency orders with the force of law;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the City Manager of the City Margate, pursuant to the authority set forth in Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, and Section 33 of the City’s Code of Ordinances, and all other applicable laws, promulgates the following Emergency Orders:

**SECTION 1.** All persons outside of their homes within the City of Margate are strongly encouraged to wear cloth masks or other cloth face coverings consistent with the current CDC and Florida Department of Health guidelines for personal protective equipment. For purposes of this Order, persons should not utilize N95 rated masks unless engaged in providing health care, police, fire, or emergency management services or other persons engaged in life/safety activities.

**SECTION 2.** The improper disposal, including but not limited to illegal dumping or littering, of used personal protective equipment, cloth face coverings and similar equipment can create a biohazard and further the community spread of COVID-19. Therefore, all persons are ordered to dispose of all used personal protective equipment, cloth face coverings and similar used equipment in proper trash receptacles. Failure to properly dispose of used personal protective equipment, including but not limited to gloves, facemasks, cloth coverings and similar used equipment, in proper trash receptacles shall be a violation of this Order.

**SECTION 3.** This Order shall remain in place as long as the State of Local Emergency is in effect, as may be amended and extended.

**SECTION 4.** This Order is in addition to, and supplements, the City's Declaration of a State of Emergency, County Emergency Orders, and State of Florida Executive Orders and shall be strictly adhered to at all times. This Order may be enforced by City law enforcement personnel through issuance of notices to appear or arrest for a second degree misdemeanor that may be punishable by a fine of \$500.00 and up to 60 days in jail, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, and other applicable state law.

**SECTION 5.** This Emergency Order is effective immediately.

ORDERED ON AND FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK OF THE CITY MARGATE ON  
APRIL 10, 2020.

Ordered by:     *Cale Curtis*     Cale Curtis, City Manager