

## **OFFICE OF THE MANAGER DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS: Florida Statute § 252.38(3), provides authority to political subdivisions, to declare and enact State of Local Emergency for up to seven (7) days, thereby waiving procedures which would otherwise be required of the political subdivision by State or local law; and

WHEREAS: A State of Emergency was declared by Governor Ron DeSantis of the State of Florida, Executive Order No. 20-52 (Exhibit "A") 5:52 PM, March 9, 2020, and Miami-Dade County executed a Declaration of Local State of Emergency effective 8:51 AM, March 12, 2020 (Exhibit "B") following the discovery of the dangerous and highly contagious COVID 19 Virus; and

WHEREAS: COVID-19 poses an imminent health peril to Miami Lakes residents, especially the elderly and those with a compromised immune system; and

WHEREAS: responding to the COVID-19 menace may require considerable and immediate action by the Town in order to protect the health and welfare of its residents; and

THEREFORE: as Town Manager of the Town of Miami Lakes, I, Edward Pidermann declare a State of Emergency for the Town of Miami Lakes pursuant to Florida Statutes §252.38, and pursuant Section 2-156 of the Town of Miami Lakes Code of Ordinances, titled Emergency Procurements, to take any action to purchase and enter in agreements necessary for the welfare of the Town of Miami Lakes. Additionally, I elect to adopt orders issued by the State of Florida and Miami-Dade County emergency management agencies. This state of emergency shall continue in effect for the next seven (7) days. This Order may be extended in increments of seven (7) days as necessary.

Pursuant to this Declaration, further orders may be issued to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the Town. I hereby direct all Town departments to take whatever steps necessary to protect life and property, public infrastructure, and provide such emergency assistance deemed necessary.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Town of Miami Lakes to be affixed this 12 day of March at 5 p.m./a.m. (EST).

ATTEST:

Edward Pidermann, Town Manager

GINA INGUANZO, Town Cler

## **EXHIBITS**

Exhibit "A" – Florida Governor Ron DeSantis Declaration of State of Emergency, Executive Order No. 20-52

> Exhibit "B" - Miami-Dade County Declaration of Local State of Emergency