



OFFICE OF THE MANAGER
EMERGENCY ORDER No. 20-05
NOSE AND MOUTH MASK MANDATE

WHEREAS: based on the imminent threat to the life, health and wellbeing of our residents imposed by the novel, COVID-19 virus, and pursuant to powers provided in Florida Statutes § 252.38 and the Town of Miami Lakes Code, on March 12, 2020, the Town of Miami Lakes (the “Town”) declared a State of Emergency to be in existence; and

WHEREAS: the novel and highly contagious COVID-19 virus possess a serious threat to the health and welfare of Town residents, business owners and guests; and

WHEREAS: on April 2, 2020, the Town Council held a virtual Special Call Meeting where they discussed the Centers for Disease Control (the “CDC”) recommendations, and deliberated the various Emergency Orders entered by the State of Florida, Miami-Dade County, and the Town; and

WHEREAS: specifically, the Town Council discussed the State, County and Town stay at home orders which provide that only essential businesses and activities are allowed to continue during this time of crisis in order to truncate the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS: the State of Florida and Miami-Dade County have identified several essential businesses such as pharmacies, grocery stores, restaurants and eateries, and gas stations as essential retail businesses (“Essential Retail Businesses”) that are permitted to stay open and operate during the duration of the State of Emergency; and

WHEREAS: based on information, the CDC is contemplating the adoption of a recommendation requiring all persons to wear protective coverings over their nose and mouths, in order to stop the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS: persons infected with COVID-19 are often asymptomatic; and

WHEREAS: Essential Retail Business workers and staff remain in close proximity with the general public; and

WHEREAS: the Town Council found that use of nose and mouth protective coverings by Essential Retail Business workers and staff will help stymie the spread of COVID-19 in the Town;

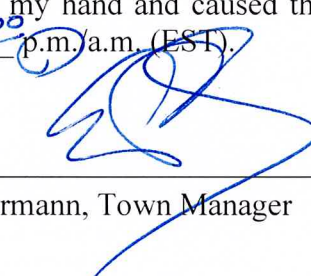
WHEREAS: the Town Council directs the Town Manager to adopt and Emergency Order requiring all Town establishments engaged in the delivery and preparation of food to instruct all of their staff to wear a protective covering over their mouths.

THEREFORE: as Town Manager of the Town of Miami Lakes, I, Edward Pidermann pursuant to Emergency Management Powers granted under Florida Statutes §252.38, Section 8.3 of the Town Charter and Section 8B-5 of Miami-Dade County Code, order all restaurants or eateries, engaged in the preparation and delivery of food and located within the Town of Miami Lakes to adhere to the following Order effective 5pm, Tuesday, April 7, 2020:

1. Any restaurant or eatery, grocery store, pharmacy, and gas station operating in the Town of Miami Lakes, which is operating as an essential business as defined in County Emergency Order 07-20, must ensure that all onsite workers and staff wear some form of covering over their nose and mouth.
2. The covering can be a homemade mask, a scarf, a bandana, or handkerchief.
3. The Town's Police Department is authorized to carry out this Order, and to take any necessary action to enforce this Order.
4. This Order shall remain in effect until it is amended or rescinded by a subsequent order, or until the expiration of Town's declaration of Emergency.
5. Failure to comply with this Order shall constitute a misdemeanor subject to fines and imprisonment punishable as provided in Florida Statute §§ 775.082 and 775.083.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Town of Miami Lakes to be affixed this 3rd day of April at 5:00 p.m./a.m. (EST).

ATTEST:



Edward Pidermann, Town Manager

GINA INGUANZO, Town Clerk