

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-

A RESOLUTION REQUIRING FACE COVERINGS AT ALL INDOOR LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE CITY IN ORDER TO MINIMIZE SPREAD OF THE COVID-19 VIRUS, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN EXCEPTIONS; REVISING EXCEPTIONS TO PREVIOUSLY-APPROVED REGULATION OF FACE COVERINGS IN CITY BUILDINGS, FOR CONSISTENCY WITH THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR APPLICABILITY; PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR EXPIRATION; RATIFYING MAYOR HENRY'S EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 9 AND EXTENDING LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY THROUGH 11:59 P.M., JULY 1, 2020; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the corona virus ("COVID-19") is a respiratory illness caused by a virus that can spread rapidly from person to person, and may result in serious illness and death; and

WHEREAS, in response to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19"), Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order No. 20-51, declaring a public health emergency in the State of Florida, and on May 8, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order No. 20-114, extending the state of emergency for an additional 60 days; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the City's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan, adopted pursuant to Ch. 252, Fla. Stat., and City Resolution No. 19-131, the Mayor of The City of Daytona Beach, Derrick L. Henry, issued a Declaration of a Local State of Emergency due to COVID-19 on March 13, 2020, and an Amended Declaration of a Local State of Emergency and Executive Order on March 17, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has affirmed, endorsed, and extended the Local State of Emergency for successive additional seven-day periods, most recently by Resolution No. 2020-164, and on June 24, 2020, Mayor Henry issued Executive Order No. 9, extended the Local State of Emergency through midnight, July 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, after Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order No. 20-91 on April 1, 2020, imposing statewide restrictions on non-essential businesses and activities due to COVID-19 (Safer at Home Order), Governor DeSantis subsequently issued Executive Orders No 20-112, (April 29, 2020), Executive Order No. 20-120 (on May 9, 2020), Executive Order No. 20-123 (May 14, 2020), Executive Order No. 20-131 (May 22, 2020), and Executive Order No. 20-139 (June 3, 2020), removing and decreasing the restrictions of the Safer at Home Order in order to provide for the phased re-opening of the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the re-opening of the State of Florida will lead to more contact between individuals gathered together in public places, which is likely to increase the transmission of COVID-19 among individuals and the spread of COVID-19 within Florida communities; and

WHEREAS, the increased risk in transmission of COVID-19 associated with the re-opening of the State of Florida may be greater for a community, such as Daytona Beach, that is a known tourist and nightlife destination; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is spread through airborne transmission from individuals, sneezing, speaking, and coughing; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 can be spread by individuals who are asymptomatic, and the infectious droplet nuclei can spread for a great distance, although how far is not fully understood at present; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) recommends use of facial coverings to reduce the spread of COVID-19¹; and

¹ <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/large-events/considerations-for-events-gatherings.html>

WHEREAS, a recent meta-analysis funded by the World Health Organization supports the use of social distancing and facial coverings to minimize transmission of COVID-19², and on June 5, 2020, the World Health Organization changed its position on the use of facial covering, and now supports their use; and

WHEREAS, according to public data provided by the Florida Department of Health³, there has been a significant increase in coronavirus cases across the State of Florida and within Volusia County. The data includes the following:

- Among all Florida residents, the number of daily coronavirus cases among all Florida residents increased from 1,663 on June 11, 2020, to 5,028 on June 24, 2020;
- Among all Florida residents, the percent positivity for new COVID-19 cases increased from 4.95% on June 11, 2020, to 8.72% on June 24, 2020 (and on June 23, 2020, the rate was 15.85%); and
- Within Volusia County, the percent of positive lab tests for COVID-19 has increased from 2.1 on June 11, 2020 to 7.4% on June 24, 2020 (and on June 23, 2020, the rate was 12.1%); and

WHEREAS, based on the manner in which the coronavirus is spread, and correlation of infection rates with the presence (or absence) of social distancing measures, it is prudent to be concerned that COVID-19 cases will increase exponentially within The City of Daytona Beach if additional measures are not taken to stop or slow the spread of the virus; and

WHEREAS, the City's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan, and Ch. 252, Fla. Stat., authorize the City Commission to take actions such as requiring face coverings when

² <http://www.thelancet.com/action/showPdf?pii=S0140-6736%2820%2931142-9>

³ <https://floridahealthcovid19.gov/>

necessary during declared emergencies to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community;
and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that extending facial covering requirements to all indoor spaces within The City, subject to conditions, is now necessary to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. EMERGENCY ORDER REQUIRING FACIAL COVERINGS.

(a) *Definitions.* As used in this Emergency Order, certain terms have the meaning ascribed below:

(1) "Companion" means a person who is accompanying another person.

(2) "Face Covering" means a material that securely covers a person's nose and mouth and remains affixed in place without the use of one's hands, whether store-bought or homemade, consistent with CDC guidelines. Examples of compliant home-made masks may be found at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/how-to-make-cloth-face-covering.html>.

(b) *Face Covering Required.* Except as provided below, every person working, living, visiting, or doing business in The City of Daytona Beach shall wear a Face Covering in any indoor location, other than their home or residence, when not maintaining social distancing from other person(s), excluding family members or Companion(s).

(c) *Effective Date; Expiration.* This Order shall become effective at 12:01 a.m. on June 28, 2020, and will remain in effect so long as the Local State of Emergency remains in effect, unless specifically rescinded by Mayorial Executive Order or action of the City

Commission, or superseded by any federal or state regulation, including Governor Executive Order.

(d) *Exceptions.*

(1) Nothing herein shall require the wearing of face coverings by any of the following persons:

- A. Persons under the age of two years.
- B. Persons observing social distancing in accordance with CDC guidelines.
- C. Persons for whom a face covering would cause impairment due to an existing health condition.
- D. Persons working in a business or profession who do not have face-to-face interactions with other persons.
- E. Persons working in a business or profession who maintain social distancing from another person.
- F. Persons working in a business or profession where use of a face covering would prevent them from performing the duties of the business or profession.
- G. Persons exercising, while maintaining social distancing.
- H. Persons eating or drinking.
- I. Public safety, fire and other life safety and health care personnel, as their personal protective equipment requirements will be governed by their respective agencies.

J. A person speaking with another individual who is hearing-impaired, where the hearing-impaired individual needs to see the person's mouth in order to understand what is spoken.

(2) Nothing herein shall require or allow a person to wear a Face Covering so as to conceal the identity of the wearer in violation of Fla. Stat. Chapter 876.

(3) This Order shall not control or restrict the conduct of any person while located within any public indoor facility owned or operated by a government agency other than The City. All such government agencies operating public indoor facilities within The City's jurisdictional boundaries are strongly encouraged to adopt and enforce their own policies to help mitigate the spread of COVID-19 within The City.

(e) *Medical and Surgical Face Masks.* Medical and surgical face masks, such as "N95" masks or other similar medical or surgical masks, are in short supply and should be reserved for health care personnel and other first responders with the greatest need for such personal protective equipment.

(f) *Applicability.*

(1) This Order is in addition to the Executive Orders issued by Governor DeSantis.

(2) In the event that any provision of this Order conflicts with any State or Federal law or constitutional provision, or conflicts with or is superseded by a current or subsequently-issued Executive Order of the Governor or President of the United States, such provision shall be deemed inapplicable and deemed to be severed from this Order, with the remainder of the Order remaining intact and in full force and effect.

(3) Section 2 of City Resolution No. 2020-164, requiring the wearing of Face Coverings by all persons within City buildings, is amended to (i) Incorporate the definitions contained in this Order; and (ii) Expand the exceptions provided in Section 2 of City Resolution No. 2020-164, to incorporate all of the exceptions to this Order, as applicable.

SECTION 3. The City Commission hereby ratifies Mayoral Executive Order No. 9, extending the Local State of Emergency, and hereby extends the Local State of Emergency through 11:59 p.m, July 1, 2020.

SECTION 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.