

## **STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION EXTENSION SUMTER COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**WHEREAS**, the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) continues to pose an imminent health risk to the residents in Sumter County; and

**WHEREAS**, Florida State Statutes, Chapter 252 authorizes the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners to declare that a Local State of Emergency exists; and

**WHEREAS**, The Chairman of the Board of County Commissioner declared a Local State of Emergency on March 17, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, Florida State Statutes, Chapter 252 limits each Declaration to seven (7) days; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sumter County Board of County Commissioners finds that the anticipated conditions created by COVID-19 pose a threat to the health, safety, and welfare of the people of Sumter County.

**THEREFORE, BY CONSIDERATION AND INCORPORATION OF THE ABOVE RECITALS, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

1. A stay-at-home advisory is in effect through April 30, 2020. Members of the public are advised to remain in their homes except:
  - a. For health and safety. To engage in activities or perform tasks essential to their health and safety or the health and safety of their family or household members, including pets. Examples of such services include, but are not limited to, seeking emergency services, obtaining medical supplies or medication, or visiting a health care professional.
  - b. For necessary supplies and services. To obtain necessary services or supplies for themselves and their family or household members including pets, or to deliver those services or supplies to others. Necessary services include, but are not limited to, utility services. Necessary supplies include, but are not limited to, groceries and food, household consumer products, supplies they need to work from home, and products necessary to maintain the safety and sanitation of the residence.
  - c. For outdoor activities. To engage in outdoor activities that follow the advice of social distancing and size of groups consistent with the guidelines provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for COVID 19. Examples of individual outdoor activities include, but are not limited to, walking, golfing, hiking, running, or biking.
  - d. For work. To work, and travel to and from a place of work.
  - e. To care for others and religious needs. To care for a family member, friend, or pet in another household and provide spiritual support.

2. Additional steps of personal responsibility. Members of the public are advised to take additional steps of personal responsibility including but not limited to:
- Washing of hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds after exposure in a public place, or after coughing or sneezing.
  - Avoiding touching the eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
  - Avoiding close contact with people who are sick
  - Use social distancing by increasing the physical distance from another person by six feet
  - Stay home when sick, except to get medical care.
3. This Declaration shall remain in effect for seven days unless extended or dissolved.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Steve Printz, Chairman  
Board of County Commissioners

Date: March 31, 2020



Attest: Gloria R. Hayward  
Clerk & Comptroller

By: Caroline A. Festinaur  
Deputy Clerk

Date March 31, 2020