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RESOLUTION NO. 2020-35

**EMERGENCY ORDER AMENDING RESOLUTION 2020-34
REGARDING SOCIAL DISTANCING AND ADHERENCE TO THE
CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION GUIDELINES
TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19.**

WHEREAS, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, Emergency Management governs Local
Emergencies; and

WHEREAS, Lake County ("County") is currently under a State of Emergency pursuant
to Executive Order No. 20-51, as declared by Governor DeSantis on March 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 2020-29, dated March 16, 2020, of the Board of County
Commissioners of Lake County, Florida, declared a local state of emergency in response to the
Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19"); and

WHEREAS, Resolution 2020-30, dated March 23, 2020, of the Board of County
Commissioners of Lake County, Florida, extended the local state of emergency for an additional
seven (7) days due to the ongoing health threat to those within the County related to COVID-19;
and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-83 to
reinforce the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") guidelines implemented as part
of the "15 Days to Slow the Spread" initiative; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 continues to pose an imminent health hazard and an increased
risk of infection to residents of the County and healthcare, first responders, and emergency medical
service workers caring for patients with COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, public health experts have consistently recommended avoiding close
physical interaction between people to slow the spread of COVID-19, and the CDC has updated
and further restricted its distancing guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the CDC has stated that older adults and people of any age with serious
underlying medical conditions are particularly at risk for severe illness or death from COVID-19;
and

WHEREAS, the Lake County Board of County Commissioners is committed to
supporting local businesses that follow social distancing practices and that pursue business
practices that safely serve consumers during this public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Board also recognizes that recreational activities are a necessary part of

1 maintaining good health; and

2 **WHEREAS**, on March 30, 2020, the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners
3 executed Resolution 2020-33 for purposes of establishing social distancing requirements for
4 businesses that now requires an amendment to further address certain types of businesses; and

5 **WHEREAS**, on April 1, 2020, the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners
6 executed Resolution 2020-34 for purposes of addressing social distancing requirements for service
7 providers and childcare facilities; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners of Lake County,
9 Florida, has determined that it is necessary to issue this Emergency Order to: protect the health
10 and safety of the residents and visitors of Lake County, Florida; to assist the healthcare delivery
11 system in its ability to serve those persons infected by COVID-19; to prevent community spread
12 of this deadly disease; and to preserve the public's access to essential services and maintain the
13 operation of critical infrastructure.

14 **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Chairman of the Board of County
15 Commissioners of Lake County, Florida, that:

16 **Section 1.** The Minimum Standards for Businesses shall be amended to read as
17 follows:

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19 **Minimum Standards for Businesses.** All businesses in Lake County may remain open
20 under the following conditions:

- 21 1. All employees and patrons must practice social distancing by staying at least six
22 (6) feet apart; provided, however, that childcare facilities/homes, and service
23 providers (such as hairstylists), shall comply with paragraphs 7 and 8 below in lieu
24 of this provision.
- 25 2. Group meetings, including trainings, must be limited to ten (10) people or less, and
26 attendees must practice social distancing by staying at least six (6) feet apart.
- 27 3. Occupancy shall be limited to 30% of the maximum allowable capacity under the
28 fire code, for non-residential, non-medical, and non-lodging uses; provided,
29 however, that childcare facilities/homes, service providers (such as hairstylists),
30 grocery stores, pharmacies or hardware stores shall comply with paragraphs 4, 7
31 and 8 below in lieu of the occupancy limitation of this paragraph.
- 32 4. Occupancy for grocery stores, pharmacies, or hardware stores shall be limited to a
33 rate that allows for the maintenance of at least six (6) feet between patrons and
34 employees.
- 35 5. Checkout points and staging areas, including storefronts, must be monitored for

- 1 social distancing requirements by means of marking floors or similar actions to
2 maintain six (6) feet distance between patrons and employees.
- 3 6. Appropriate signage must be posted throughout each physical location reminding
4 patrons and employees to observe the social distancing requirements.
- 5 7. Service providers whose primary business require employees to have physical
6 contact with patrons (such as hairstylists) must adhere to standards including but
7 not limited to the following:
- 8 • There must be a distance separation between personal service stations. For
9 example, every other chair in a salon must be left vacant to observe distance
10 requirements.
 - 11 • Patrons should be encouraged to wait in their vehicles until the service
12 provider is ready to provide service directly to that individual.
13 Alternatively, patrons should wait outside the facility observing the six (6)
14 feet separation from other patrons. Service providers should then call the
15 patron to notify them to come inside the facility.
 - 16 • Service providers must wash hands or use hand sanitizer between patrons.
17 It is strongly recommended that service providers wear personal protective
18 items such as masks.
 - 19 • Patrons who exhibit symptoms consistent with COVID-19 shall not be
20 allowed to receive service at the facility.
 - 21 • Nothing herein prohibits a service provider from instituting any other
22 measures that satisfy the intent of this emergency order.
- 23 8. Childcare facilities/homes should operate under the following conditions to the
24 extent practicable:
- 25 • Childcare facilities/homes should operate in line with CDC guidelines.
 - 26 • To limit exposure, child drop off and pickup will be at the entrance only.
 - 27 • Childcare shall take place in stable groups of ten (10) or fewer people,
28 inclusive of childcare staff.
 - 29 • To the extent practicable, children and childcare staff shall should not
30 change from one group to another unless it is necessary to provide breaks
31 for childcare staff. Staff must wash hands or use hand sanitizer when
32 changing groups or returning to a group after a break.
 - 33 • If more than one group of children is cared for at a childcare facility/home,
34 each group will be in a separate room, and groups shall should not mix or
35 interact with each other to the extent practicable. In order to limit exposure
36 to multiple families, siblings will be kept together when possible in mixed-
37 age classrooms.
 - 38 • Wellness checks should be performed upon entry into the childcare
39 facility/home and monitored throughout the day. Any child exhibiting
40 symptoms consistent with COVID-19 shall not be allowed to stay in the
41 childcare facility/home.
 - 42 • When possible, all indoor/outdoor play equipment should be used by one
43 group of children at a time and must be cleaned and sanitized before use by
44 another group of children.

- Nothing herein prohibits a childcare facility/home from instituting any other measures that satisfy the intent of this emergency order.

Section 2. Minimum Standards for Individuals. Social gatherings must be limited to no more than ten (10) persons and all persons must stay at least six (6) feet away from each other.

Section 3. Boating Restrictions. All boaters using any waterway in Lake County shall comply with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission Executive Order 20-09 which requires the following:

1. Recreational vessel occupancy is limited to no more than ten (10) persons per vessel.
2. A minimum distance of fifty (50) feet between recreational vessels and any other vessel shall be maintained; provided, however, this distance does not apply to mooring fields, public or private marinas, or any other permanent installed wet slips, and does not apply to vessels underway unless they are tied, rafted or moored to another vessel.

Section 4. Penalties; Applicability. Businesses and individuals that do not comply with this Order on a consistent basis are subject to monetary fines up to \$500 per occurrence, in accordance with Section 125.69, Florida Statutes, Section 252.47, Florida Statutes, and Section 252.50, Florida Statutes. Repeat violations could result in the issuance of a mandatory closure order in accordance with Section 252.46, Florida Statutes. This Order is enforceable by any county or municipal law enforcement official, code enforcement official, and emergency management official. Nothing herein shall supersede any requirements or directives issued by Governor DeSantis.

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- 1 **Section 5. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect upon signature and shall
2 remain in effect throughout the Local State of Emergency, unless earlier rescinded.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 2nd day of April, 2020.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Leslie Campione
Leslie Campione, Chairman

This *2nd* day of *April*, 2020.

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Gary J. Cooney, Clerk
Board of County Commissioners
of Lake County, Florida



Approved as to form and legality:

[Signature]
fv Melanie Marsh, County Attorney