

**CITY OF ORLANDO, ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY
CITY OF ORLANDO EXECUTIVE ORDER**

Date: 3/13/2020
Time: 12:01 p.m.
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WHEREAS, the World Health Organization ("WHO") raised its assessment of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19") threat from high to very high and declared a public health emergency of international concern related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has declared the potential public health threat posed by COVID-19 as "high," both in the United States and throughout the world; and

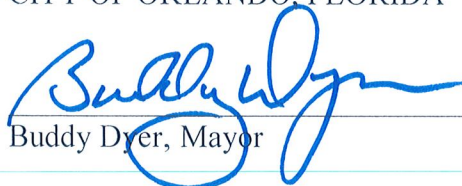
WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-51, declaring that appropriate measures to control the spread of COVID-19 in the State of Florida are necessary, and therefore directed that a Public Health Emergency be declared in the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the potential public health threat posed by COVID-19 presents a clear and present danger to health and safety within the City of Orlando community;

NOW THEREFORE, I, BUDDY DYER, as Mayor of the City of Orlando and pursuant to the authority vested in me by state laws and Orlando ordinances and in accordance with the provisions of section 43A.01 of the City Code of the City of Orlando, hereby declare that a STATE OF EMERGENCY exists within the City of Orlando. In order to provide for the public safety and welfare during this State of Emergency, I hereby authorize all City Department Heads and Division Managers to take whatever actions they deem necessary with respect to scheduling of personnel and suspend any provisions of any collective bargaining agreement which would restrict such decisions.

This declaration shall be effective immediately upon my execution, and shall be effective for seven days from the date and time hereof, unless otherwise terminated or extended in accordance with applicable law.

CITY OF ORLANDO, FLORIDA


Buddy Dyer, Mayor

cc: City Commissioners
Chief of Police
Fire Chief
City Clerk