



CITY OF TAMPA

— OFFICE OF THE MAYOR —

Jane Castor, Mayor

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-08

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, **President Donald J. Trump** issued a Proclamation Declaring a National Emergency concerning COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, **Governor Ron DeSantis** issued Executive Order Number 20-51 declaring a Public Health Emergency in the State of Florida due to the spread of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (“COVID-19”); and

WHEREAS, on March 7, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 20-52, declaring a State of Emergency for the State of Florida, extending to all sixty-seven (67) counties, including Hillsborough County and the City of Tampa, due to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (“COVID-19”); and

WHEREAS, between March 17, 2020 and the date hereof, the Governor of the State of Florida issued several Executive Orders placing numerous restrictions on individuals and businesses in response to the COVID-19, including issuance of Executive Order Number 20-91 (as amended) on April 1, 2020, imposing a state-wide “Safer-At Home” Order in response to the state-wide threat of the spread of COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the **Hillsborough County Emergency Policy Group** issued an Executive Order declaring a local state of emergency in response to a county-wide threat from COVID-19, which Order was extended on March 19, 2020, March 26, 2020, April 2, 2020, April 9, 2020 and April 16, 2020; and

WHEREAS, between March 12, 2020 and the date hereof, the Hillsborough County Emergency Policy Group issued several Executive Orders, including issuance of an Executive Order on March 27, 2020, imposing a “Safer-At Home” Order in response to a county-wide threat from the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, between March 16, 2020 and the date hereof, the **County Administrator of Hillsborough County** issued several Administrator Orders placing numerous restrictions on individuals and businesses in response to the COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, pursuant to Section 2-402 of the City of Tampa Code, as **Mayor of the City of Tampa**, I issued City of Tampa Executive Order 2020-01 declaring

that a state of local emergency has occurred in the City of Tampa in response to a city-wide threat from COVID-19, which state of local emergency was re-declared by City of Tampa Executive Order 2020-02 on March 16, 2020, and which declaration of emergency was extended by City of Tampa Executive Order 2020-03 on March 23, 2020, City of Tampa Executive Order 2020-05 on March 30, 2020, and City of Tampa Executive Order 2020-06 on April 6, 2020, and City of Tampa Executive Order 2020-07 on April 13, 2020; and

WHEREAS, between March 12, 2020, and the date hereof, as Mayor of the City of Tampa, I issued several City of Tampa Executive Orders and Mayoral Order #1 placing numerous restrictions on individuals and businesses in response to the COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, in Hillsborough County (including the City of Tampa) the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 continues to increase at a significant rate and has resulted in several deaths; and

WHEREAS, it is therefore necessary to extend the City's declaration of a state of local emergency currently in effect; and

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tampa by Article VII, Civil Emergencies, Sections 2-401, et. seq., of the City of Tampa Code, and the Charter of the City of Tampa, and the Laws of the State of Florida, and in coordination with the Hillsborough County Emergency Policy Group, I hereby issue this Executive Order declaring:

1. Extension of Mayor's Declaration of State of Local Emergency. The justifications set forth in previous City of Tampa Executive Orders for declaring a state of local emergency still exist, and based on the additional reasons set forth in the recital clauses above, the state of local emergency declared in Executive Order 2020-01 on March 12, 2020, as revised and readopted by Executive Order 2020-02 on March 16, 2020, and as extended by Executive Order 2020-03 on March 23, 2020, Executive Order 2020-05 on March 30, 2020, Executive Order 2020-06 on April 6, 2020, and Executive Order 2020-07 on April 13, 2020, is hereby extended within the City of Tampa for another seven (7) day period, effective as of the date hereof.
2. Governor's Executive Orders. That the Executive Orders issued by the Governor of the State of Florida addressing the state-wide COVID-19 state of emergency, specifically, Executive Order Numbers 20-51 and 20-52, and all subsequent Executive Orders of state-wide application based thereon, are incorporated herein by reference and made part of this Order.
3. Hillsborough County Emergency Policy Group Executive Orders. That the Executive Orders issued by the Hillsborough County Emergency Policy Group adopted on March 12, 2020, declaring a local state of emergency, as extended and amended, and all subsequent Executive Orders based thereon, are incorporated herein by reference and made part of this Order.
4. Hillsborough County Administrator Orders. That the Administrator Order Number 20-05, dated March 20, 2020, (Updating Limitations for Establishments and Gatherings), issued by the County Administrator of Hillsborough County, which Administrator Order Number 20-05 rescinded and replaced all previously issued Administrator Orders, is incorporated herein by reference and made part of this Order.

5. City of Tampa Executive Orders and Directives. That City of Tampa Executive Orders 2020-01, 2020-02, 2020-03, 2020-04, 2020-05, 2020-06, 2020-07, and Mayoral Order #1, are incorporated herein by reference and made part of this Order, and are hereby extended for the term of this Order, except to the extent that any provision is in conflict with or has been superseded by Executive Order of the Governor, Executive Order of the Hillsborough Policy Emergency Management Group or Hillsborough County Administrator Order.
6. Subsequent Orders. Any Executive Order issued subsequent to the date of this Order by the Governor of the State of Florida, the Hillsborough County Emergency Policy Group, and/or or any Administrator Order issued by the Hillsborough County Administrator, shall have force and effect in the City of Tampa as provided by Chapter 252, Florida Statutes.
7. Mayor's Continuity of Government Powers. That pursuant to Section 2-403 of the City of Tampa Code of Ordinances, the procedures and formalities otherwise required of the City by law or ordinance are waived pertaining to the following: performance of public work and taking whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community; entering into contracts; incurring obligations; employment of permanent and temporary workers; utilization of volunteer workers; rental of equipment; acquisition and distribution, with or without compensation, of supplies, materials, and facilities; and appropriation and expenditure of public funds.
8. Additional Specific Restrictions Authorized. That pursuant to Section 2-404(a) of the City of Tampa Code, the following additional specific restrictions previously imposed by City of Tampa Executive Orders remain in effect for the duration of this Order unless suspended or extended by subsequent Executive Order:
 - (a) Price-gouging restrictions. That all State and/or local business licensees, vendors, merchants, and any other person operating a retail business in the City of Tampa, are hereby prohibited from charging more than the normal average retail price, as defined in Section 2-404(7), for any goods, materials or services sold during the duration or extension of the emergency;
 - (b) Closure of City of Tampa Beaches. That the following public beaches and all associated recreational facilities are hereby: Ben T. Davis Beach, Davis Island Beach, Picnic Island Beach and Cypress Point Park Beach; provided however, City of Tampa boat ramps shall remain open;
 - (c) Closure of City of Tampa Parks and Recreation Facilities. That all City of Tampa Parks and Recreation Facilities and Pools are closed, and all programs, tournaments and events scheduled for those facilities are canceled.
 - (d) Closure of City of Tampa Parks. All City of Tampa Parks are hereby closed; provided however, the following City of Tampa trails and boat ramps will remain open and all persons occupying and/or utilizing said trails and boat ramps shall maintain a distance of 6 ft. between themselves and any other person:

Trails:


- S. Manhattan Ave., from Interbay Blvd. north to W. Bay Ave., then west and continuing north on S. Manhattan Ave. to Legacy Park Drive;
- Bayshore Blvd., from Gandy Blvd. north to Platt St.;
- 20th St, from Adamo Dr. south to Maritime Blvd.;
- 22nd St, from 21st Ave north to Dr. MLK Jr. Blvd.;
- Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail;
- Bruce B Downs Blvd Trail;
- Tampa Riverwalk, provided however, adjacent downtown parks are closed;

Boat Ramps:

- Lowry Park Boat Ramp
- Ballast Point Boat Ramp
- Picnic Island Boat Ramp

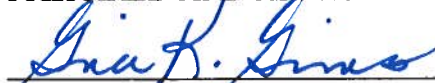
9. Exemptions from limitations for government, public safety and health personnel. That pursuant to Section 2-404(b) during the duration of this emergency and to the extent necessary, the following individuals are exempt from the restrictions contained in Section 2-404 of the City of Tampa Code: physicians, nurses, ambulance operators performing medical services, on-duty employees in hospitals and other medical facilities, on-duty military personnel, personnel of public utilities maintaining essential public services, city authorized or requested firemen, law enforcement officers and personnel and such other classes of persons as may be essential to the preservation of public order or necessary to serve the safety, health and welfare of the citizens of the City of Tampa.
10. Effective Date and Duration. That this Executive Order shall take effect immediately on the date set forth below and all provisions herein shall apply during the duration of this Executive Order, and this Executive Order shall terminate seven (7) days after the date set forth below unless suspended or extended by subsequent executive order by the Mayor as necessary in seven (7) day increments.
11. Enforcement. Pursuant to Section 252.50, Fla. Stat., a violation of this Order, and/or any Executive Order of the Governor of the State of Florida, of the Hillsborough County Emergency Policy Group, or of the Hillsborough County Administrator made pursuant to the emergency powers provided by Chapter 252, Fla.Stat., is a second degree misdemeanor which carries a penalty of up to 60 days imprisonment and/or a \$500 fine.

DONE and ORDERED this 20 day of April 2020.



 Jane Castor, Mayor

PREPARED AND APPROVED BY:



 Gina K. Grimes, City Attorney