



**LOCAL DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY
CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA
MAYOR GLENN TROAST
ORDER 20-02**

WHEREAS, Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a severe acute respiratory illness that can spread among humans through respiratory transmission and presents with symptoms similar to those of influenza; and

WHEREAS, on March 2, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-51, directing the Florida Department of Health to issue a Public Health Emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-52, declaring a state of emergency for the State of Florida for sixty days unless extended; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the White House issued guidelines recommending the avoidance of gatherings of 10 people or more; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-68, which, among other things, ordered the closure of all bars and nightclubs; and;

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-70, which among other things, ordered restaurants and/or food service business establishments with seating for more than ten (10) people within the incorporated and unincorporated areas of Broward County and Palm Beach County to close on-premises service of customers; and,

WHEREAS, at 3:00 p.m. on March 20, 2020, pursuant to the authority of State Emergency Management Act, Sections 252.18-252.60, Florida Statutes, and Section 2-34 of the City of Lighthouse Point Code of Ordinances, I declared a local state of emergency within the City, through "Local Declaration of Emergency (Amended)," herein after referred to as "Local Declaration of Emergency".

WHEREAS, subsequent to my issuance of my Local Declaration of Emergency, on March 20, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-71, which closed on-premises service to customers at all restaurants and/or food establishments throughout the entire State of Florida; and,

WHEREAS, on March 22, 2020, Broward County issued Broward County Administrator's Order 20-01, amended on March 23, 2020, by Broward County Administrator's Order 20-01 (collectively, the "County Orders"), which ordered all nonessential businesses in Broward County to close, and identified all categories of businesses considered "essential" under the County Orders; and,

WHEREAS, as a result of the additional Governor Executive Orders and the County Orders issued subsequent to the March 20, 2020, Local Declaration of Emergency, it has become necessary to supplement the Local Declaration of Emergency to address matters related to the health, safety and welfare of the community.

NOW THEREFORE, I, GLENN TROAST, THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA, HEREBY PROCLAIM AND DECLARE:

SECTION 1. This Order is issued pursuant to the authority of State Emergency Management Act, Sections 252.18-252.60, Florida Statutes, and Section 2-34 of the City of Lighthouse Point Code of Ordinances.

SECTION 2. This Order supplements the Local Declaration of Emergency issued on March 20, 2020. In the event of a conflict between this Order and the March 20, 2020, City Declaration, this order shall prevail. Other than as amended, modified and supplemented herein, the Local Declaration of Emergency remains in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. DeGroff and Exchange Club Parks remain closed until further notice. Dan Witt Park is now closed until further notice. At Frank McDonough Park, the playgrounds are closed until further notice. Use of the remainder of Frank McDonough Park shall be in compliance with the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) guidelines regarding social distancing and limited size of gatherings.

SECTION 4. The Lighthouse Point Tennis Center Pro Shop and Pavilion remain closed until further notice. The Tennis Center is now closed until further notice.

SECTION 5. Recognizing the hardship on businesses within the City due to the Governor’s Executive Orders and the County Orders, I find it in the best interest and furtherance of the welfare of the community to temporarily suspend enforcement of the prohibition of certain signs within the City. Each business legally operating under the Governor’s Executive Orders and the County Orders within the City’s nonresidential zoning districts are permitted one (1) banner sign or “feather” sign of no more than twelve (12) square feet, and one (1) sandwich board or sidewalk sign with an area of no more than six (6) square feet on each face. These signs are not permitted in any right-of-way and may not be attached to any public or utility infrastructure (such as street lights and traffic light posts).

SECTION 6. This Order authorizes the taking of whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community, consistent with Section 252.38(3), Florida Statutes, and the authority vested in me as Mayor to exercise such powers by Section 2-34 of the City’s Code of Ordinances.

SECTION 7. This Order may be enforced by any law enforcement officer of the City of Lighthouse Point, or any officer or employee with any agency with jurisdiction over matters covered by this Order.

SECTION 8. This Order shall be filed promptly with the City Clerk and shall be given prompt and general publicity.

SECTION 9. This Order is given because of the propensity of the virus to spread person to person and also because the virus physically is causing property damage due to its proclivity to attach to surfaces for prolonged periods of time.

SECTION 10. Any provision of Local Declaration of Emergency or this Order that conflicts with any state or federal law or constitutional provision, or is in conflict with or is superseded by any current or subsequently issued Presidential or Gubernatorial Executive Orders or County Emergency Orders, shall be deemed inapplicable and deemed severed from this Order with the remainder of this Order and the Local Declaration of Emergency remaining intact and in full force and effect.

SECTION 11. This Order shall take effect upon signature of the Mayor at the time and on the date below, and shall be in effect for as long as the State of Florida State of Emergency is in effect, unless modified or earlier terminated.

SO DECLARED AND ORDERED THIS 25th DAY OF MARCH 2020.



Mayor Glenn Troast
City of Lighthouse Point, Florida
Date: March 25, 2020
Amended Time: 1:00 p.m.

ATTEST:


Jennifer Oh, City Clerk

CC: City Commission
City Administrator
Department Heads
City Attorney

