# EMERGENCY/EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020 - 06

AN EMERGENCY/EXECUTIVE ORDER OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF COLLIER COUNTY, FLORIDA, EXTENDING THE MANDATE PROVIDED IN EMERGENCY/EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-05 REQUIRING THAT INDIVIDUALS WEAR A FACE COVERING IN PUBLIC IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a respiratory illness caused by a virus that spreads rapidly from person to person, which may result in serious illness or death, and which constitutes a clear and present danger to the health, welfare and safety of the citizens of Collier County; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, Governor DeSantis declared a Public Health Emergency as a result of COVID-19, and on March 9, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-52, declaring a State of Emergency as a result of COVID-19, which has been supplemented by subsequent Executive Orders all relating to the threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners of Collier County, Florida adopted Proclamation/Resolution No. 2020-50 declaring a state of emergency due to COVID-19 for all territory within the legal boundaries of Collier County; and

WHEREAS, to reduce the spread of COVID-19, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") has issued guidelines that the general population should wear face masks to capture the respiratory droplets of infected people to slow the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on July 21, 2020, the Board adopted Emergency/Executive Order No. 2020-05 mandating that individuals wear a face covering in public under certain circumstances, which is scheduled to expire on midnight on September 3, 202; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds it necessary and appropriate to extend the application of Emergency/Executive Order No. 2020-05 requiring the use of face coverings in public under certain circumstances for the preservation of the health, safety, and welfare of the community.

# NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF COLLIER COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

#### SECTION ONE: FINDINGS.

The above recitals are adopted by the Board as legislative findings as if fully set forth herein.

After receiving input from the members of the public, presentations from medical professionals, staff and others at a public hearing held on September 3, 2020, the Board finds there is a public necessity to extend the application of Emergency/Executive Order No. 2020-05, which mandates the use of face coverings in public under certain circumstances, for the preservation of the health, safety, and welfare of the community, and that Order No. 2020-05 shall remain in full force and effect and shall expire midnight of October 22, 2020, unless otherwise extended by the Board.

# SECTION TWO: SEVERABILITY.

In the event this Order conflicts with any Ordinance of Collier County or other applicable law, the more restrictive shall apply. If any court of competent jurisdiction holds any phrase or portion of this Order invalid or unconstitutional, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion.

## SECTION THREE: APPLICABILITY.

This Order is intended to apply solely within unincorporated Collier County.

### SECTION FOUR: EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Order shall take immediate effect immediately and shall be in full force and effect and shall expire midnight of October 22, 2020, unless otherwise extended by the Board.

**THIS ORDER ADOPTED** after motion, second, and majority vote favoring same this 3rd day of September, 2020.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COLLIER COUNTY, FLORIDA

By:

Deputy Clerk

Attest as to Chairman's signature only.

BURT L. SAUNDERS, Chairman

Approved as to form and legality:

Jeffrey A. Klatzkow, County Attorney