EMERGENCY ORDER NO. 2020-03

CITY OF BOCA RATON COVID-19

ORDER ENCOURAGING USE OF CLOTH MASKS BY RESIDENTS AND VISITORS

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 the 16th day of March, 2020, pursuant to resolution No. 36-2020, the City of Boca Raton declared a State of Local Emergency resulting from Novel Coronavirus 2019 (COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, on the 23rd day of March, 2020, the City of Boca Raton extended the State of Local Emergency for seven (7) days until the 30th day of March, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on the 30th day of March, 2020, the City of Boca Raton again extended the State of Local Emergency for seven (7) days until the 6th day of April, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on the 6th day of April, 2020, the City of Boca Raton again extended the State of Local Emergency for seven (7) days until the 13th day of April, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") issued guidance that the general population should wear cloth face coverings to capture the respiratory droplets of asymptomatic people to slow the spread of COVID-19.

Section 1. Declaration Supplemented.

In accordance with City Code Sections 2-2 and 2-3, and Chapter 252, Florida Statutes (and other applicable statutes), I hereby supplement my March 16, 2020 declaration of a state of emergency within the City of Boca Raton, Florida, ("City") approved under Resolution No. 36-2020 as provided herein.
Section 2.

a. Every person working, living, visiting, or doing business in the City of Boca Raton is encouraged to wear a cloth facial covering consistent with the current CDC guidelines while in any public place.

b. All people should avoid the utilization of surgical masks or N95 rated masks as those are critical supplies for health care workers, police, fire, emergency management, or other persons engaged in life and safety activities.

Section 3. This Order shall remain in place as long as the State of Local Emergency is in effect, as amended and extended.

Section 4. Effective Date.

This Order shall be effective as of 12:00 p.m., April 9, 2020, and may be further supplemented from time to time.

Executed this 9th day of April, 2020.

By: ____________________________
Leif J. Ahnell, City Manager
City of Boca Raton, Florida

ATTEST:

George Brown, Deputy City Manager

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