



City of North Port

ADMINISTRATIVE DECLARATION ENDING THE STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 2020-38 AND TERMINATING EMERGENCY ORDERS

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, pursuant to Florida Statutes Chapter 252, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order number 20-52, declaring a state of emergency in the State of Florida; directing the Division of Emergency Management to execute the State's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan; and authorizing each political subdivision within the State of Florida, pursuant to Florida Statutes Section 252.38(3)(a), to waive certain procedures and formalities otherwise required by law that are in the interest of the public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, Governor Ron DeSantis extended the state of emergency, most recently in Executive Order Number 21-94, issued April 27, 2021, which extended the state of emergency for an additional 60 days; and

WHEREAS, Florida Statutes Section 252.38(3)(a) gives authority to public subdivisions to declare and enact a state of local emergency for a period of up to seven days and to take certain measures that are in the interest of the public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2020, the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida adopted Ordinance No. 2020-18, declaring a state of local emergency; authorizing the City Manager or designee to act under the power and authority set forth in Florida Statutes Section 252.38(3)(a), and the authority to take any and all action deemed necessary during this state of emergency; waiving the standard procedures and formalities required by law pertaining to those matters identified in Florida Statutes Section 252.38(3)(a)5, including but not limited to the City Manager's procurement of goods and services requiring emergency action; and authorizing the City Manager or designee to extend the state of local emergency in seven-day increments; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No. 2020-18, the City Manager issued twenty-four administrative declarations, each extending the state of local emergency for an additional seven days, the last of which expired by operation of law on September 8, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on September 9, 2020, the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida adopted Ordinance No. 2020-38, declaring a state of local emergency; authorizing the City Manager or designee to act under the power and authority set forth in Florida Statutes Section 252.38(3)(a), and the authority to take any and all action deemed necessary during this state of emergency; waiving the standard procedures and formalities required by law pertaining to those matters identified in Florida Statutes Section 252.38(3)(a)5, including but not limited to the City Manager's procurement of goods and services requiring emergency

action; and authorizing the City Manager or the designee to extend the state of local emergency in seven-day increments; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No. 2020-38, the City Manager issued thirty-seven administrative declarations, each extending the state of local emergency for an additional seven days, the last of which was effective as of 3:00 p.m. on May 26, 2021; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 2020, Sarasota County declared a state of emergency and extended that state of emergency in seven-day increments until it expired by operation of law at midnight on May 27, 2021; and

WHEREAS, local vaccination efforts for COVID-19 have been widespread and successful; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 no longer poses an immediate and present danger to the public health, safety, or welfare to the City of North Port, Florida, and its residents, thereby warranting an end of the local state of emergency.

THEREFORE, IN HIS EMERGENCY AUTHORITY, THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA DECLARES:

1. The emergency conditions related to COVID-19 and declared under Ordinance No. 2020-38 no longer exist. The local state of emergency is hereby terminated.
2. All local Emergency Orders that have not been terminated previously are hereby terminated.

This declaration is effective as of May 28, 2021 at 12:00 a.m.

DECLARED AND FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA ON MAY 27, 2021 AT 4:58 A.M./P.M. BY



Jason Yarborough, ICMA-CM
Interim City Manager