WHEREAS, First, 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, Second, 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, Third, on March 9, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order 20-52, providing political subdivisions within the State with the authority to waive procedures and formalities otherwise required by law pertaining to:

- performing 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;
- appropriation and expenditure of public funds; and

WHEREAS, Fourth, on March 16, 2020, the City of Weston declared a State of Local Emergency; and

WHEREAS, Fifth, on March 17, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order 20-68, setting forth, among other things, certain requirements for bars, pubs, nightclubs and restaurants; and

WHEREAS, Sixth, Section 60.03(A)(6), of the Code of Ordinances, empowers the City Manager to issue orders necessary for the protection of life and property, establishment of public order, and control of adverse conditions affecting public welfare resulting from an Emergency, and to adopt order issues by Federal, State or Broward County Emergency management agencies; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I Donald P. Decker as City Manager, hereby declare:

Section 1: The Governor’s Executive Order 20-68, attached as Exhibit “A” is adopted by the City of Weston and incorporated herein.

Section 2: In addition to the requirements of Executive Order 20-68, all restaurants shall close for on premises dining no later than 10:00 PM every night; provided, however, that restaurants may remain open for their normally permitted hours for drive-thru, take-out and delivery services only.
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: The orders and provisions of this Emergency Order and the Governor’s Executive Order No. 20-68, may be enforced within the boundaries of the City of Weston by the Broward Sheriff’s Office, as the City’s law enforcement agency.

Section 5: Any violation of any rule or regulation issued and set forth herein shall be punishable as provide in Section 2.99 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Weston.

Section 6: This Order shall take effect immediately upon execution.

DECLARED this 18th day of March 2020, at 9:45 AM.

Donald P. Decker, City Manager

ATTEST:

Patricia A. Bates, MMC, City Clerk
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 1, 2020, I issued Executive Order number 20-51 directing the Florida Department of Health to issue a Public Health Emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, the State Surgeon General and State Health Officer declared a Public Health Emergency exists in the State of Florida as a result of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, I issued Executive Order 20-52 declaring a state of emergency for the entire State of Florida as a result of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, President Donald J. Trump and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) issued the 15 Days to Slow the Spread guidance advising individuals to adopt far-reaching social distancing measures, such as working from home and avoiding gatherings of more than 10 people; and

WHEREAS, as Governor, I am responsible for meeting the dangers presented to this state and its people by this emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS, as Governor of Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Article IV, Section (1)(a) of the Florida Constitution, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, and all other applicable laws, promulgate the following Executive Order to take immediate effect:
Section 1. Bars, Pubs and Nightclubs

A. Pursuant to sections 252.36(5)(g)-(h), Florida Statutes, any licensee authorized to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption on premises that derive more than 50% of its gross revenue from the sale of alcoholic beverages shall suspended all sale of alcoholic beverages for thirty days from the date of this order, effective at 5 p.m. today, March 17, 2020.

B. The Department of Business and Professional Regulation shall utilize its authorities under Florida law to further implement and enforce the provisions of this Section and shall take additional measures with respect to bars, pubs and nightclubs as necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

Section 2. Beaches

Pursuant to section 252.36(5)(k), Florida Statutes, I direct parties accessing public beaches in the State of Florida to follow the CDC guidance by limiting their gatherings to no more than 10 persons, distance themselves from other parties by 6 feet, and support beach closures at the discretion of local authorities.

Section 3. Restaurants

A. Pursuant to section 252.36(5)(g), Florida Statutes, a restaurant shall immediately limit its occupancy to 50% of its current building occupancy.

B. Pursuant to section 252.36(5)(g), Florida Statutes, a restaurant shall follow the CDC guidance by ensuring, at minimum, a 6-foot distance between any group of patrons and limiting parties to no more than 10 individuals.

C. The Department of Business and Professional Regulation shall ensure all restaurants implement employee screening and prohibit any employee from entering the restaurant premises if they meet any of the criteria listed below:
1) Any person infected with COVID-19 who has not had two consecutive negative test results separated by 24 hours;

2) Any person showing, presenting signs or symptoms of, or disclosing the presence of a respiratory infection, including cough, fever, shortness of breath or sore throat;

3) Any person who has been in contact with any person(s) known to be infected with COVID-19, who has not yet tested negative for COVID-19 within the past 14 days;

4) Any person who traveled through any airport within the past 14 days; or

5) Any person who traveled on a cruise ship within the past 14 days.

D. The Department of Business and Professional Regulation shall utilize its authorities under Florida law to further implement and enforce the provisions of this Section and shall take additional measures with respect to bars, pubs and nightclubs as necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare.

For purposes of this section, “restaurant” shall include any Food Service Establishment, licensed under Chapter 500, Florida Statutes, and Public Food Service Establishment, licensed under Chapter 509, Florida Statutes.

Section 4. This Executive Order shall expire thirty days from this date unless extended.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be fixed, at Tallahassee, this 17th day of March, 2020.

RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE