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; on March 20, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order 20-71, setting forth, among other things, additional and supplemental requirements for alcohol sales and restaurants and bars; 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

WHEREAS, Seventh, on March 18, 2020, Donald P. Decker, as City Manager, entered Emergency Order No. 2020-01, requiring that all restaurants close for on premises dining no later than 10:00 PM every night, but could remain open during their normally permitted hours for drive-thru, take-out and delivery services; and
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WHEREAS, Eighth, on March 19, 2020, Donald P. Decker, as City Manager, entered Emergency Order No. 2020-02, closing Weston Regional Park, Tequesta Trace Park and Vista Park beginning at 11:00 PM on March 20, 2020, and requiring all restaurants cease all on premises dining beginning at noon on March 20, 2020; provided, however, that restaurants may remain open for their normally permitted hours for drive-thru, take-out and delivery services only; and

WHEREAS, Ninth, on March 22, 2020, Donald P. Decker, as City Manager, entered Emergency Order No. 2020-03, prohibiting all public gatherings of any type, whether organized or otherwise, of greater than 10 persons, with specified exemptions; and


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

Section 1: Safer At Home Order

Section 1(A): Subject only to the exceptions outlined in Section 1(D) below, all persons living within the City of Weston are ordered to remain in their homes ("Safer at Home" Order).

Section 1(B): All public and private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a residence are prohibited, except as to those exempted activities described in this Section and Section 1(D). This provision does not apply to gatherings within a single household or dwelling unit.

Section 1(C): All travel, including, without limitation, travel on foot, bicycle, scooter, motorcycle, automobile, or use of public transit is prohibited, subject to the exceptions in Section 1(D).

Section 1(D): Exceptions: Notwithstanding the "Safer at Home" directive herein, all residents and visitors in the City may lawfully engage in the following activities:

(i) Essential Retail and Commercial Activities: Residents and visitors may engage in essential retail and commercial activities, including without limitation, travel to or from essential retail and commercial businesses, as defined in Broward County Emergency Order 20-01, adopted by City of Weston Emergency Order No. 2020-04, as may be further amended by Broward County and/or further amended by City’s Emergency Orders. These essential retail and commercial activities include grocery stores; convenience stores; food distribution centers; restaurants (for take-out and delivery only, and subject to social distance separation of at least 6 feet between patrons); hospitals, pharmacies, and health care providers (including doctors’ offices, rehab centers and urgent care centers); gas stations and auto-repair facilities; banks; hardware stores; businesses that provide postal/shipping
services and other office products; laundry service providers; childcare facilities providing services to groups of 10 or fewer (subject to limitations in Broward County Emergency Order 20-01); certain professional services; home-based care for seniors, adults or children; pet supply stores, veterinarian and pet boarding facilities; and offices in support of essential retail and commercial activities.

(ii) **Outdoor Recreational Activities:** Residents and visitors may engage in outdoor activity and recreation in areas not otherwise closed to the public pursuant to Broward County Emergency Order 20-01 or the City’s Emergency Orders, provided that individuals maintain a distance of at least six feet between each other, including, without limitation, walking, hiking, running or cycling. Gymnasiums, fitness centers, and swimming pools which are amenities of residential buildings may remain open, provided that property managers and condominium associations are encouraged to implement their own social distancing measures, including closure of common areas if deemed necessary.

(iii) **Religious Activities:** Residents and visitors may travel to and from religious institutions and places of worship, subject to the City’s requirement that religious institutions and places of worship reduce their occupancy to no more than 10 persons, and maintain a distance separation of at least six feet, as set forth in the City’s Emergency Orders, to promote social distancing.

(iv) **Personal Support Activities:** Residents and visitors may travel to and from their homes to care for or support a friend, family member, or pet in another household.

(v) **Work in Support of Essential Activities:** Residents and visitors in the City may continue to perform work in support of essential activities (e.g. to perform work providing essential products and services or to otherwise carry out activities specifically permitted in this Order or any Order of a City, County, State or Federal governmental entity). Travel by personnel of essential retail and commercial businesses shall be permitted, including personnel providing essential services to residents within their homes, such as repair services, appliance repair, sanitation and extermination, landscaping and pool services, home care, or other essential services (as provided in Broward County Emergency Order 20-01), provided persons engaging in these essential activities shall maintain reasonable social distancing practices.

(vi) **Government Employees and Emergency Personnel:** All first responders, crisis intervention workers, public health workers, utility providers, emergency management personnel, emergency dispatchers, law enforcement personnel and related contractors, persons working for emergency services providers, and government employees performing work in the course and scope of their employment are categorically exempt from this Order.
(vii) **Observance of Social Distancing Practices:** As to all activities permitted under this Order, residents and visitors shall adhere to social distancing practices, such as maintaining a distance of at least six feet away from others, washing hands with soap and water for at least twenty seconds or using hand sanitizer, covering coughs and sneezes (into the sleeve or elbow, not hands), regularly cleaning high-touch surfaces, and not shaking hands. Residents and visitors are strongly encouraged to limit all of their travel, except as absolutely necessary. Persons at high risk of severe illness from COVID-19 and people who are sick are strongly encouraged to stay in their residence to the extent possible, except as necessary to seek medical care.

**Section 2:** Pursuant to City of Weston Emergency Order No. 2020-04, the City adopted Broward County Emergency Order 20-01, requiring closing of all non-essential businesses. Any businesses exempted from closing to the public under Broward County Emergency Order 20-01, shall take the following social distancing measures, in addition to any other measure required by law or Emergency Order, including by the City, Broward County, the State of Florida, or the President of the United States:

a) All Essential Businesses exempted from closure shall make every effort to:

1. Provide disinfectant wipes or their equivalent for shopping carts and baskets or disinfect shopping carts and baskets after each use;
2. Disinfect hourly, at a minimum all check out areas, including but not limited to, conveyor belts, cash registers, and credit card areas;
3. Disinfect after close or before opening all areas of the store that customers may touch or come into contact;
4. Require employees or independent contractors present to wash and/or disinfect their hands at least once per hour;
5. Clean and disinfect any pen or stylus used to sign receipts after each customer or waive the need to sign a receipt;
6. Ensure that no more than 10 people, including staff, are gathered in any particular area of the Essential Business;
7. Ensure that customers at checkout are separated by at least six feet;
8. Disinfect all door handles used by the general public at least hourly during business hours.

b) All Essential Businesses that utilize a waiting room shall take the following social distancing measures in addition to any other measure required by Law or Emergency Order:

1. No person shall be seated within six feet of another person, however, groups of people that arrive with each other may be seated next to each other;
2. All seats used by a person shall be disinfected after each use;
3. All door handles used by the general public shall be disinfected at least hourly during business hours;
4. No person exhibiting flu or COVID-19 like symptoms shall be permitted to wait in any customer waiting area, however, nothing prohibits any medical provider from allowing a patient through a waiting area to a treatment room so long as no other patients or visitors are within six feet of the patient exhibiting flu or COVID-19 like symptoms; and
5. An open air waiting area shall be made available for patients and customers.

c) All Essential Businesses shall:

1. Prohibit any employee and/or independent contractor from entering the place of business if the employee and/or independent contractor has a fever that exceeds 99.9 degrees Fahrenheit;
2. Prohibit any employee and/or independent contractor from entering the place of business if the employee and/or independent contractor is exhibiting flu like or COVID-19 like symptoms;
3. If practicable use best efforts to ensure that employees and/or independent contractors have a six feet separation between the next closest person;
4. Not allow more than 25% of their approved maximum capacity into any location;
5. Require that any person that must wait outside of a business to enter into that business be spaced at a minimum of six feet from the next closest person provided that groups that arrive together may be closer than the six foot distance requirement.

Section 3: Bonaventure Park, Country Isles Park, Eagle Point Park, Emerald Estates Park, Gator Run Park, Heron Park, Indian Trace Park, Library Park, Peace Mound Park and Town Center Park shall be closed, and no person shall be permitted to enter upon or be in such parks.

Section 4: This Order shall remain in place as long as the State of Local Emergency is in effect, as amended and extended.

Section 5: The orders and provisions of this Emergency Order, and all prior City Emergency Orders, may be enforced within the boundaries of the City of Weston by the Broward Sheriff’s Office, as the City’s law enforcement agency, as well as the City’s Code Enforcement Officers.

Section 6: 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 7: Nothing herein shall limit or apply to any essential retail, commercial, governmental, or other operation or activity permitted under any Broward County Emergency Order or City of Weston Emergency Order.

Section 8: This Order is in addition to, and supplements, the City’s Emergency Orders. All requirements of City Emergency Orders, Broward County Emergency Orders, and State of Florida Executive Orders shall be strictly adhered to at all times.

Section 9: This Order shall take effect at 12:01 AM on March 26, 2020.

DECLARED this 25th day of March 2020, at 2:35 PM.

Donald P. Decker, City Manager

ATTEST:

Patricia A. Bates, MMC, City Clerk