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**PROCLAMATION DECLARING A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY  
IN THE TOWN OF INDIAN RIVER SHORES, FLORIDA,  
IN CONNECTION WITH COVID-19**

**WHEREAS**, on March 1, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis, in his capacity as Governor of the State of Florida, issued Executive Order 20-51, directing the declaration of a public health emergency and establishing the State of Florida's response to COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 1, 2020, the State Surgeon General declared a public health emergency in the State of Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 7, 2020, Indian River County, Florida began taking protective measures to address COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 9, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis, in his capacity as Governor of the State of Florida, issued Executive Order Number 20-52, declaring that a state of emergency exists in the State of Florida by reason of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 13, 2020, President Donald Trump proclaimed that the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States constitutes a National Emergency beginning March 1, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to ORDINANCE NO. 545 of the Municipal Code of Town of Indian River Shores, Florida, the Town Manager is authorized to declare a local state of emergency upon making a determination that a disaster has occurred or is imminent, requiring immediate and expeditious action,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in my capacity as Town Manager, I hereby determine that, by reason of COVID-19, the threat of a disaster has occurred or is imminent, requiring immediate and expeditious action, and declare that a local state of emergency exists in all of the Town of Indian River Shores, Florida, effective as of 8:01 a.m., on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020.

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Joe Griffin  
Town Manager