## STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION

It is found by the Mayor of the Town of Lake Park that:

WHEREAS, Chapter 1, Article II, Division 1, Section 2-32 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Lake Park authorizes the Mayor or in the absence of the Mayor and the Vice Mayor the first available member of the Town Commission to declare that a state of emergency exists within the boundaries of the Town of Lake Park, and to exercise the powers conferred in F.S. Sections 252.32 and 870.042(2); and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of the State of Florida has declared a state of emergency for the State of Florida due to the outbreak of the COVID-19 virus; and

**WHEREAS**, it is believed by the Mayor that there is a clear and present danger to persons due to the exigent circumstances of the anticipated impact caused by the COVID-19 virus within the geographical limits of the Town of Lake Park and that it is prudent to declare a state of emergency for the Town of Lake Park.

**NOW THEREFORE**, it is declared by the Mayor of the Town of Lake Park that a state of emergency does exist as heretofore found and that during such a period of emergency and at the times and locations hereinafter specified in order to protect lives within the Town, the following actions shall take place:

- 1. All Town Hall departments shall be closed to the public but shall be staffed. The general public needing to access any Town department must do so by appointment through email or by telephone to the specific Town department.
- 2. All public parks within the Town of Lake Park will remain open; however, social gatherings within the public park areas will be limited to no more than 15 individuals. All public restrooms, the Lake Park Public Library, and the Lake Park Tennis Center shall be closed on Monday, March 16, 2020, and shall remain closed until the state of emergency declared by the Governor has been lifted.
- 3. Any curfew or public health declarations established by Palm Beach County shall be followed by residents of the Town of Lake Park.
- 4. The within declaration shall be in full force effective at 3:12 p.m. on Monday, March 16, 2020, and shall remain in full force until the state of emergency declared by the Governor has been lifted.

Attest:

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Michael O'Rourke, Mayor Town of Lake Park

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