

DECLARATION OF LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY CITY OF GROVELAND

Whereas, a serious threat to the public health, safety and welfare has been created by the Coronavirus (COVID-19).

Whereas, Chapter 252, F.S., authorizes the City of Groveland to declare that a local state of emergency exists.

Whereas, Pursuant to F.S. 252.38 (3), the carrying out the provisions of ss. ~~252.31-252.90~~, Florida Statutes, the City of Groveland has those powers and authority as set forth in F.S. 252.38(3):

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED,

The City of Groveland recognizes it may need state assistance and to invoke emergency-related mutual-aid assistance. The City Manager is empowered to request state assistance as needed and when needed, and to invoke emergency-related mutual-aid assistance as and when needed.

The City Manager shall have the power and authority to take whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the community, its citizens and property of the City of Groveland.

The City Manager shall provide overall coordination of the City's response to the emergency.

All City of Groveland assets are hereby ordered to be placed at the disposal of the City Manager for emergency management.

All City regulations prescribing procedures for the conduct of City business, if strict compliance would hinder necessary action in coping with the emergency, are hereby suspended. Suspension of such procedures shall be at the direction of the City Manager.

The City Manager is empowered to suspend regulations set forth in ordinances and resolutions of the City of Groveland as necessary to preserve the health, safety and welfare of the community and its citizens, however, such suspension does not include regulations of a financial nature.

All directors and key staff member will direct their communications and requests for assistance and operations directly to the City Manager.

The City Manager is authorized to enter into contracts to achieve the actions set forth herein.

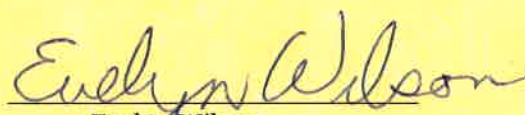
All employees of the City are hereby directed to exercise the utmost diligence in the discharge of duties required of them for the duration of the emergency and in execution of emergency laws, regulations, and directives—state and local.

All citizens are called upon and directed to comply with necessary emergency measures, to cooperate with public officials and forces in executing emergency operations plans, and to obey and comply with the lawful directions of properly identified officers.

This Declaration shall remain in effect for a period of seven (7) days unless extended or dissolved. This Declaration may be extended in seven (7) day increments by the mayor or vice-mayor, in the mayor's absence. Any extension shall be in writing, signed and dated, and attached to this Declaration.

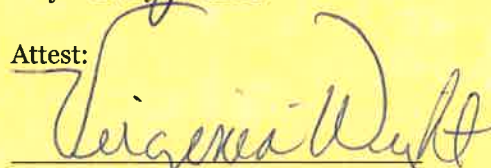
March 20, 2020





Mayor Evelyn Wilson

Attest:



Virginia Wright, City Clerk