EXECUTIVE ORDER SUSPENDING FINES AND PENALTIES AGAINST INDIVIDUALS PERTAINING TO EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-009 THAT REQUIRES COVID-19 POSITIVE INDIVIDUALS TO ABIDE BY CENTERS FOR DISEASE AND CONTROL PREVENTION GUIDELINES FOR SELF-QUARANTINING AND EXECUTIVE ORDER NO 2020-30 THAT REQUIRES THE USE OF SOCIAL DISTANCING AND FACIAL COVERINGS

WHEREAS, on March 2, 2020, the Seminole County Chairman executed Executive Order 2020-001, declaring a Local State of Emergency under the provisions of Chapter 72, Seminole County Code, due to the serious health threat to those within the County arising from and related to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 ("COVID-19"); and

WHEREAS, Seminole County remains in a Local State of Emergency pursuant to the weekly extensions of Executive Order 2020-001; and

WHEREAS, on April 3, 2020, Seminole County executed Executive Order 2020-009, requiring Covid-19 positive individuals to abide by the Centers for Disease and Control ("CDC") prevention guidelines for self-quarantining; and

WHEREAS, on April 29, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis executed Executive Order 20-112, which provides a step-by-step plan for Florida's recovery by promoting business operations and economic recovery while maintaining focus on core safety principles; and

WHEREAS, on June 14, 2020, the United States Surgeon General urged all people to wear face coverings as an important step to slow the spread of coronavirus and reopen the economy; and

WHEREAS, on June 20, 2020 the Florida Department of Health issued a Public Health Advisory recommending that residents wear a Face Covering, which helps the resident protect others from exposure as well as themselves; and

WHEREAS, on June 29, 2020, Seminole County executed Executive Order 2020-030, requiring the use of social distancing and facial coverings in Seminole County; and

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2020, the CDC called on all Americans to wear masks to prevent COVID-19 spread;

WHEREAS, on September 25, 2020, Governor DeSantis executed Executive Order 20-244, which eliminates any State imposed restrictions relating to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order 20-244 also suspends the collection of fines and penalties associated with COVID-19 enforced upon individuals; and

WHEREAS, Section 252.38(3)(a)(5), Florida Statutes, grants political subdivisions the authority to take whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the community during a state of local emergency; and

WHEREAS, Section 72.6(b)(1), Seminole County Code, grants the Chief Administrator of Emergency Management the authority to impose by Executive Order during a declared Local State of Emergency any reasonably necessary restrictions for the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the people and property of Seminole County; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with the Governor's Executive Order 20-244, Seminole County will suspend penalty provisions against individuals associated with Executive Orders 2020-009 and 2020-030; and

WHEREAS, Seminole County will conform to the Governor's Order as well as the guidance of the CDC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BY THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

Section 1. Suspension of Penalties for Executive Orders 2020-009 and 2020-030. In accordance with CDC guidelines, Seminole County's Self-Quarantine Order for COVID-19 positive individuals and

the Facial Covering/Mask Order remain in place. Fines and penalties against individuals in Executive Orders 2020-009 and 2020-030 have been suspended per the Governor's Executive Order No. 20-244.

Section 2. Effective Date. This Order shall become effective upon execution of this Order.

ORDERED this 28 day of September, 2020 at 2200 p.m.

Alan Harris, Chief Administrator Office of Emergency Management