ORDER AND SUPPLEMENT TO DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY (Order Number 7)

REQUIRING INDIVIDUALS TO USE A FORM OF COVERING OVER NOSE AND MOUTH

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, I, as City Manager of the City of Aventura, promulgated a Declaration of Emergency (the “Declaration”), due to the COVID-19/Coronavirus health emergency within the jurisdictional limits of the City of Aventura (“City”), pursuant to Section 2-404 of the City of Aventura Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-404 of the City’s Code of Ordinances authorizes the City Manager, to adopt emergency orders which may include, but are not limited to, curfews, declaration of certain areas being off limits, and other matters related to the Declaration; and

WHEREAS, on April 3, 2020, the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (“CDC”) recommended that persons wear masks, including cloth masks or other facial coverings, while in public to help control the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, after further analysis of the Declaration, and the CDC’s recommendation, and in order to further protect individuals from COVID-19/Coronavirus, I am issuing this Supplement to Declaration to the State of Emergency to require all persons to wear a covering over their nose and mouth when in public, as provided herein.

THEREFORE, as City Manager for the City of Aventura, Florida, and pursuant to the authority vested in me under Section 2-404 of the City of Aventura Code of Ordinances (the “City Code”), as well as that certain City of Aventura Declaration of State of Emergency, dated March 12, 2020, I hereby ORDER and PROMULGATE the following additional emergency measures:

Section 1. Declaration Supplemented.

In accordance with City Code Section 2-404, and Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, the Declaration of the State of Emergency within the City of Aventura, dated March 12, 2020, is hereby re-affirmed, remains in full force and effect, and is further supplemented pursuant to this Order, as provided herein:

Section 2. Findings.

(A) The detailed findings of Governor Desantis’ Executive Orders Number 20-52, Number 20-68, Number 20-82, 20-83, 20-91, and 20-92 are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

(B) The detailed findings of Miami-Dade County Mayor Gimenez as contained in Emergency Order 07-20, dated March 19, 2020 is hereby adopted and incorporated herein by reference.
Section 3. Order: Use of Covering Over Mouth and Nose

(A) Effective at Noon on April 10th, 2020, all employees and customers of grocery stores, pharmacies, and restaurants will be required to wear a form of covering over their nose and mouth at all times while inside the grocery store, pharmacy, or restaurant facility. All individuals providing delivery services will be required to wear a face covering over their nose and mouth while making deliveries.

(B) A covering over the nose and mouth may include a facemask, homemade mask, or other cloth covering, such as a scarf, bandana, handkerchief or other similar cloth covering.

(C) In addition to the requirements applicable to grocery stores, pharmacies, and restaurants, employees and customers of all other essential retail and commercial establishments are strongly encouraged to wear a form of covering over the nose and mouth (as described above).

(D) All essential retail and commercial establishments are strongly encouraged to implement policies for employees to use other personal protective equipment, such as gloves, subject to the availability of such items.

(E) Nothing herein shall operate to restrict any employee or customer from accessing any essential retail or commercial establishment to address any emergency or other exigent circumstance, even if a covering over the nose and mouth is not readily accessible at the time of such emergency or other exigent circumstance.

(F) All persons who are outside for any reason such as walking, exercising etc., are strongly encouraged to wear a form of face covering over the nose and mouth (as described above) to prevent the spread of COVID-19 to others.

Section 4. Enforcement

Any person, firm, or corporation who violates any provision of the Declaration of the State of Emergency, and any Supplemental Order, any Amended Supplemental Order, including this Order, shall be subject to such fine or imprisonment or both as provided by Sections 1-14 and 2-333 of the City Code, or any other applicable penalty provision. Each day that a violation shall continue to exist shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 5. Effective Date.

This Order and Supplement to Declaration shall be effective as of 11 a.m., April 8, 2020, and may be further supplemented from time to time in accordance with Article VIII of Chapter 2 of the City Code. This document shall be posted and distributed as provided by City Code Section 2-404(f).

Executed this 8th day of April, 2020.

By: ________________________________
    Ronald J. Wasson, City Manager
    City of Aventura, Florida

Copy: Mayor and Commissioners, City Clerk, Police Chief, City Attorney, Department Directors