TOWN OF SURFSIDE
OFFICE OF THE TOWN MANAGER

UPDATE No. 4 – TOWN OF SURFSIDE EMERGENCY MEASURES
Mandatory Isolation of Individuals Traveling to Surfside

(Effective April 3, 2020 at 5 p.m.)

To: All Hotels, Motels, Temporary Vacation Rental Owners, Condominiums and Commercial Property Managers:

WHEREAS, On March 12, 2020, the Town of Surfside, Florida (“Town”) declared by Resolution No. 2020-2676 a state of emergency for the Town of Surfside as authorized by Chapter 252.38(3)(a), Florida Statutes, and Chapter 2, Article VIII “Emergency Management Procedures” of the Town Code, in response to COVID-19 (Coronavirus); and

WHEREAS, on March 21, 2020, the Town promulgated Update No. 1 - Town of Surfside Emergency Measures which, among other requirements, provided that “Commercial lodging establishments”, including, but not limited to, existing reservations and new guests, in hotels, suite hotels, hotel units within apartment-hotels, hostels, dormitories, motels, and temporary vacation rentals (i.e. short-term rentals) shall immediately begin to shut down operations and vacate guests from their premises, and required full closure to guests and renters by 11:59 p.m. on March 23, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2020, after previously declaring a public health emergency and state of emergency, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 20-80, which directed all individuals flying into the State of Florida from an area with substantial community spread, including the New York Tri-State Area (Connecticut, New Jersey and New York), to isolate or quarantine for a period of 14 days from the time of entry into the State or the duration of the person's presence in the State, whichever is shorter; and

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 20-82, which further amends Executive Order 20-80, and applies the required isolation or quarantine period retroactively to individuals who have entered the State of Florida after being in an area with substantial community spread within the previous 14 days; and

WHEREAS, Surfside is a known preferred location for visitors, long-term guests and second residences for persons outside the State of Florida, and from both within and outside of the United States; and
WHEREAS, Florida is experiencing an increase in individuals fleeing to Florida from states where “shelter-in-place” orders are being implemented, especially from the New York Tri-State Area, from other states with substantial community spread (more than 1000 reported cases per the CDC on March 30, 2020), and from outside the United States; and

WHEREAS, Surfside is already experiencing an increase in such arrivals not only from the New York Tri-State Area but also from other states with substantial community spread, and areas outside of the United States; and

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the Declaration and Miami-Dade County Order No.03-20, further orders may be issued to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the Town of Surfside. I, as the Town Manager of the Town of Surfside, Florida, and pursuant to the authority vested in me by Chapter 252.38(3)(a), Florida Statutes, and Town Code Chapter 2, Article VIII “Emergency Management Procedures”, and in addition to previously ordered emergency measures promulgated, I hereby ORDER and PROMULGATE the following additional emergency measures, effective April 3, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. (the “Order”):

1. All persons arriving in Surfside by any means or mode of transportation from anywhere outside of the United States or from the following areas of documented substantial community spread, as determined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) data at www.cdc.gov, shall isolate or quarantine, as applicable, for their period of occupancy in Surfside, or for 14 days from the date occupancy in Surfside is established, whichever is shorter:

   - California
   - Colorado
   - Connecticut
   - Georgia
   - Illinois
   - Indiana
   - Louisiana
   - Maryland
   - Massachusetts
   - Michigan
   - New Jersey
   - New York
   - North Carolina
   - Ohio
   - Pennsylvania
   - Tennessee
   - Texas
   - Virginia
   - Washington State

   a. This Order shall not apply to persons employed by the airlines and those performing military, emergency or health response.

   b. This Order shall take effect immediately and apply retroactively to all persons who meet the definition of Section 1 above.

   c. All persons isolating or quarantining under this Order shall be responsible for all costs associated with their isolation or quarantine, including transportation, lodging, food, medical care and any other expenses to sustain the person during the period of isolation or quarantine.

2. All persons covered under Section 1 of this Order shall immediately inform their Condominium Association Manager or Property Manager (or the Surfside Police Department if they are not arriving to a multi-family dwelling) upon their arrival.
3. Condominium Association Managers and Property Managers shall provide the collected information to the Surfside Police Department upon receipt of the information.

4. Failure to follow this Order is a second-degree misdemeanor pursuant to Section 252.50, Florida Statutes, and is punishable by imprisonment not to exceed 60 days, a fine not to exceed $500, or both.

5. This Order may be further amended to include additional states where community spread is documented by the CDC.

6. This Order is in addition to, and supplements, the Town’s Emergency Measures and Orders. All requirements of Town Emergency Measures or Orders, Miami-Dade County Emergency Orders, and State of Florida Executive Orders shall be strictly adhered to at all times.

7. The provisions of this Emergency Measure are declared to be severable and, if any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Emergency Measure for any reason is held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Emergency Measure and they shall remain in effect, it being the intent that this Emergency Measure shall stand notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.

8. I further find that the provisions of the Emergency Measure are not only rationally related to, but are also narrowly tailored to the state of emergency. The Emergency Measure is the least restrictive means of achieving the compelling governmental interest of mitigating and slowing the further spread of the COVID-19 virus in the Town and its concomitant impacts on the region’s health care system serving the Town.

THE EMERGENCY MEASURES THAT HAVE BEEN ORDERED AND PROMULGATED ABOVE SHALL BE EFFECTIVE APRIL 3, 2020 at 5:00 p.m., UNTIL APRIL 22, 2020 AT 11:59 P.M. UNLESS EXTENDED BY THE TOWN MANAGER.

ATTEST:

Sandra Novoa, MMC, Town Clerk

Guillermo Olmedillo, Town Manager

Date: April 2, 2020

Time: 1:00 p.m.