RESOLUTION 20-98

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PANAMA CITY BEACH, FLORIDA, EXTENDING THE PROHIBITION OF SPECIAL EVENTS, PARADES AND LEAGUE SPORTS; PROHIBITING PUBLIC GATHERINGS OVER 10 ON CITY PROPERTY; EXTENDING THE CLOSURE OF THE FRANK BROWN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER AND LYNDELL CENTER; SUSPENDING QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARINGS; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATELY EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, as the world, nation, state of Florida, Bay County, and the City of Panama City Beach have been gripped by the outbreak of the novel coronavirus, COVID-19, and the emergency conditions created thereby, the President of the United States, Governor of the State of Florida, and Bay County Board of County Commissioners have all declared states of emergency and encouraged careful social distancing, sheltering in place, and other emergency measures aimed at combatting the outbreak; and

WHEREAS, since the beginning of this emergency, the City Council has enacted Resolution 20-80E, Resolution 20-87, and Resolution 20-93 which it finds have been effective measures to protect the public health, safety and welfare for the City's residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the findings of fact contained within the Whereas Clauses of Resolutions 20-80E, 20-87, and 20-93 remain true and are adopted as if fully set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, considering the continuing and growing emergency facing the City and surrounding community, including the apparent rapid spread of COVID-19, the City Council deems it necessary and appropriate to extend closures, suspensions and prohibitions described herein necessary in order to meet and address the emergency presented by COVID-19 to ensure the public health, safety, and welfare of the community.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Panama City Beach, Florida as follows:

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1. Resolution 20-80E, Section 2, related to the prohibition of parades and Special Events, is hereby extended until May 15, 2020, unless such date is extended by Resolution of the City Council.

3. Resolution 20-80E, Section 1, is extended until May 15, 2020, with regard to the following:

a. Prohibition of all public gatherings with greater than ten (10) people at City facilities and on City property;

b. Suspension of City recreational sports leagues and tournaments;

c. Closure of City sports fields, Frank Brown Park Community Center, and Lyndell Center.

4. All Quasi-Judicial Hearings before the City Council or any City Board are hereby suspended until the expiration of Executive Order 20-69.

THIS RESOLUTION shall be effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED in regular session this 23 day of april, 2020.

CITY OF PANAMA CITY BEACH By: Mark Sheldon, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jo Smith, Interim City Clerk

