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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Flagler County reiterates Governor's new executive orders to suspend vacation rental operations, to add Louisiana to quarantine requirement

**March 28, 2020** – Flagler County reiterates Executive Orders 20-86 and 20-87, issued Friday by Governor Ron DeSantis, that vacation rentals are to suspend operations, and that adds Louisiana to the states that have substantial community spread of COVID-19 thus requiring those entering Florida to self-quarantine for a period of 14 days from entry.

“Vacation rentals are now prohibited from making new reservations or bookings,” said Emergency Management Director Jonathan Lord. “Additionally, they cannot check-in any new guests until the order expires.”

While vacation rental operations are suspended, the order does not include long-term rentals, hotels, motels, inns, resorts, time shares, or non-transient public lodging facilities. Violations may be reported to the Florida Department of Business & Professional Regulation at (866) 532-1440.

Louisiana joins New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut as areas of substantial community spread of COVID-19. Individuals entering Florida from these areas must do the following: self-quarantine for a period of 14 days from entry; and, notify people in Florida with whom they have had contact with in the last 21 days that they traveled from an area of substantial community spread.

“Our message to residents hasn’t changed,” said Lord. “Practice social distancing at all times. If you can stay at home, do so. It’s the safest place for you to be.”

In compliance with the governor’s previously issued health advisory, residents who are 65 years old or older – and those with pre-existing conditions – are to stay home until at least April 8, 2020.

Officials urge all residents and businesses to follow Florida Department of Health and CDC guidance, to include:

- Practicing social distancing – people should keep 6 feet of space between one another, and keep groups to less than 10

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- Frequent hand washing for at least 20 seconds, or use an alcohol-based (at least 60% alcohol) hand sanitizer when soap and water are not available
- Limiting trips to essential travel only
- Avoiding close contact with people who are, or may be, sick

Additionally, those who are sick and/or told to self-isolate are to: remain at home unless seeking medical care, cover coughs and sneezes, wear a facemask around others, and disinfect touched surfaces daily.

COVID-19 health related questions or concerns should be directed to your regular healthcare provider or the Florida Health hotline at 866-779-6121.

COVID-19 bar, restaurant, or lodging establishment concerns should be directed to the Florida Department of Business & Professional Regulation at 866-532-1440.

All other COVID-19 government services questions or concerns may be directed to the Emergency Operations Center at 386-313-4200.

Check for current information on Flagler County's website [www.flaglercounty.org](http://www.flaglercounty.org), and follow "Flagler County Government" or "Flagler County Emergency Management" on Social Media. The county's social media team will provide updates through these official accounts:

#### Flagler County Government

- [Facebook.com/FlaglerCountyGovernment](https://www.facebook.com/FlaglerCountyGovernment)

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