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Make memories while respecting the beach, barrier island this weekend

May 7, 2020 – Residents and visitors have been enjoying all 18 miles of beach in Flagler County, which is open for exercise and relaxation with a social-distancing requirement. Officials ask only that the barrier island and the beach be treated with respect – park in designated areas and clean up appropriately before leaving.

“Enjoy a great day at the Beach and take home great memories,” said Flagler Beach Police Chief Matt Doughney. “Please park in the direction of the flow of traffic – not against it – stay off sidewalks, and don’t block private driveways. Parking is a quality of life issue for residents, so please treat parking on the island like it is your own neighborhood.”

The City of Flagler Beach has FREE municipal parking lots that are no further than one block away from the beach:

- 311 North Central Avenue
- 109 North 5th Street
- 504 South Oceanshore Boulevard (at South 6th & A1A)
- 118 South 8th Street

“Please use the same consideration in the unincorporated areas and within the smaller municipalities of Beverly Beach and Marineland,” said Emergency Management Director Jonathan Lord. “There is parking at our beachside parks, and staff is working very hard to keep things clean both for visitors’ enjoyment as well as public health and safety.”

County-owned beachside parks are listed below:

- River to Sea Preserve, 9805 N. Oceanside Blvd.
- MalaCompra Park, 115 MalaCompra Road
- Old Salt Park, 200 16th Road
- Jungle Hut Park, 125 Jungle Hut Road
- Varn Park, 3665 N. Oceanshore Blvd.
All residents and businesses are reminded to abide by Executive and Emergency Orders, and follow Florida Department of Health and CDC guidance.

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 testing is available for Flagler County residents at a variety of locations, please visit www.FlaglerCounty.org, and following the links for COVID-19 and then select Screening & Testing for the latest options.

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 business 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 a specific municipality or the Emergency Operations Center at 386-313-4200.

Check for current information on Flagler County’s website 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:

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