

**NASSAU COUNTY**  
**EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 24**  
**(Emergency Management – COVID-19)**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County has declared a State of Local Emergency within Nassau County; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 1, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-51, directing that a Public Health Emergency be declared in the State of Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 9, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-52, declaring a State of Emergency in the State of Florida regarding the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, at this time, there is no vaccine for COVID-19 and it is easily transmitted among citizens and a serious threat of impact from COVID-19 exists throughout Nassau County and the State of Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, Executive Order Number 23, which encouraged the wearing of face coverings, expires on October 24, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, Nassau County believes that encouraging individuals serving the public, as well as the public, to wear cloth face coverings will significantly help reduce the spread of COVID-19 and lessen the positive cases in Nassau County; and

**WHEREAS**, Nassau County finds that there is a public health benefit to encourage the wearing of face coverings in all places open to the public.

**NOW, THEREFORE, DANIEL B. LEEPER**, as Chairman, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Local State of Emergency and County Emergency Management Plan and with

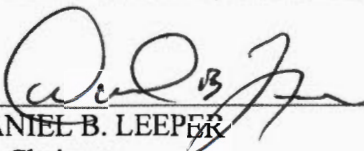
the consent of the Emergency Management Director, promulgate the following Executive Order to take immediate effect:

1. Every operator, employee, customer or patron, over the age of six (6), of a business establishment is encouraged to wear a face mask or covering at all times while indoors at that business establishment and continue to enforce social distancing.
2. Public safety, fire, law enforcement and other life safety personnel are exempted from this requirement, as their personal protective equipment requirements will be governed by their respective agencies.
3. Every owner/manager of an establishment listed in Paragraph 1 should develop and implement a health and safety plan consistent with this Order encouraging protective face coverings and CDC guidelines and to post the plan in a conspicuous location sufficient to provide notice to persons within the business of the requirements of the plan.
4. A face covering includes any covering which snugly covers the nose and mouth, whether store bought or homemade, and which is secured in place. Persons who wear masks should review the CDC and Florida Department of Health guidelines regarding properly and safely applying, removing and cleaning masks.
5. All persons entering Nassau County public buildings shall wear a facemask and continue to wear them while in the public building, including attendance at public hearings.
6. Persons not wearing a facemask in Nassau County public buildings shall be asked to leave the building.

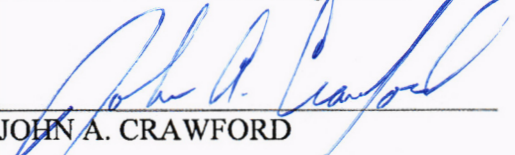
7. This Executive Order shall expire at the expiration of the declaration of the Local State of Emergency.
8. This Order is in addition to the Executive Orders issued by Governor DeSantis.
9. This Order shall be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court.

DATED this 21st day of October, 2020.

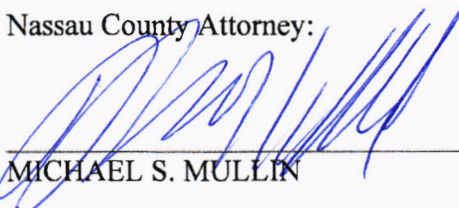
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

  
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DANIEL B. LEEPER  
Its: Chairman

Attest as to Chairman's signature:

  
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JOHN A. CRAWFORD  
Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

Approved as to form by the  
Nassau County Attorney:

  
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MICHAEL S. MULLIN