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CITY OF INDIAN ROCKS BEACH COVID-19 PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

As of March 17, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-68 placing limitations on bars, pubs, nightclubs, and restaurants for the entire State of Florida as a result of COVID-19. The City of Indian Rocks Beach will be implementing the Executive Order immediately.

To further enhance social distancing measures and discourage excessive gatherings within restaurants and any other establishment that serves alcohol for on-site consumption covered by the Governor's order, the City Manager orders the following:

- Bars must close at 5:00 p.m. for 30 days effective March 17, 2020.
- Restaurants must immediately reduce/limit their occupancy to 50% of current building occupancy.
- Restaurants must limit parties to 10 individuals with a six (6) foot separation between any group of patrons.
- Effective, March 18, 2020, in Pinellas County, all restaurants must discontinue the sale of alcohol at 10:00 p.m.
- Restaurants must implement the screening of all restaurant employees.

*Determination of restaurant or bar is determined by the type of State of Florida, Department of Business Professional Regulations issued license held.

The City of Indian Rocks Beach continues to closely monitor the coronavirus, COVID-19. The health and safety of our residents is our top priority. City Officials are working in cooperation with our Federal, State, County, and local partners in preventing the potential spread of the coronavirus within our community.

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For the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) latest updates, please visit, <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/>

Pinellas County has also established a dedicated COVID-19 webpage where citizens can find in-depth information on the virus, links to resources and regular updates. <http://www.pinellascounty.org/emergency/covid19/>

Florida Department of Health COVID-19 Call Center is Available 24/7 Call: 1 (866) 779-6121 Email: COVID-19@FLHealth.gov

For additional information and helpful links regarding COVID-19, please visit the Florida Department of Health COVID-19 website at FloridaHealth.gov/COVID-19.

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