WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order No. 20-52, declaring a state of emergency in the State of Florida for COVID-19;

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the City Manager of the City of Venice enacted Executive Order No. 2020-01 that declared a Local State of Emergency due to COVID-19 which constitutes a potential life threatening situation for the citizens and visitors to the City for an undefined period of time;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 252.38, Florida Statutes, the limitation of an emergency declaration is seven (7) days, which may be extended in seven (7) day increments as necessary;

WHEREAS, COVID-19 has the propensity to spread from person to person through direct physical contact and through the air;

WHEREAS, COVID-19 has the propensity to attach to surfaces for prolonged periods of time, thus causing property damage and continuing the spread of the virus;

WHEREAS, conditions continue to exist requiring the extension of the initial Declaration.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edward Lavallee, City Manager of the City of Venice, in accordance with the provisions of the State of Florida Office of the Governor Executive Order No. 20-52, Chapter 252.38, Florida Statutes, and Executive Order No. 2020-01, hereby promulgate the following extension to the initial Declaration:

1. A State of Local Emergency continues to exist within the City of Venice due to COVID-19.

2. The initial Declaration of Local State of Emergency signed on March 16, 2020 is hereby extended for a period of seven (7) days.

3. As a result of this extension, the Declaration of Local State of Emergency extends continuously from March 16, 2020, through March 30, 2020, inclusive.

DONE AND ORDERED this 23rd day of March, 2020, at Venice, Florida.

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Edward F. Lavallee, City Manager
City of Venice, Florida

ATTEST:

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City Clerk