

48 places, specifically stating “[t]he science is clear. Asymptomatic infected individuals can release
49 aerosol particles while breathing and speaking. Not wearing a mask or face covering increases
50 exposure, whereas universal masking greatly reduces the spread of viral particles. The message is
51 simple: For the sake of your health and health of everyone around you, Florida’s doctors want you
52 to wear a mask.”; and

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54 **WHEREAS**, on June 22, 2020, State Surgeon General Scott Rivkees issued an additional
55 public health advisory recommending people wear face coverings in any setting where social
56 distancing is not possible, stating that “all individuals [should] refrain from participation in social
57 or recreational gatherings of more than 50 people” and in smaller crowds “practice social
58 distancing by maintaining a distance of at least six feet from each other and wear a face covering.”;
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61 **WHEREAS**, the CDC recommends cloth face coverings which are relatively inexpensive
62 and readily available as the CDC states that they can be made from household items and provides
63 online guidance for making “do-it-yourself” coverings for people who cannot or do not want to
64 buy one from the increasing sources producing and selling coverings; and

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66 **WHEREAS**, the Board has determined that an emergency exists, and finds implementation
67 of this Resolution strongly encouraging the use of face coverings necessary for the preservation of
68 the health, safety and welfare of the community.

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70 **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY**
71 **COMMISSIONERS OF ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

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73 **Section 1.** The above stated recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.

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75 **Section 2.** The Escambia County Board of County Commissioners hereby strongly
76 recommends the use of face coverings by the citizens of Escambia County in order to inhibit the
77 spread of COVID-19.

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79 **Section 3.** This Resolution will take effect immediately upon adoption by the Board of County
80 Commissioners.

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82 **ADOPTED** this ____ of _____, 2020.

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84 BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
85 ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

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88 ATTEST: Pam Childers
89 Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: _____
Steven Barry, Chairman

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91 By: _____
92 Deputy Clerk

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