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**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
RENEWAL OF DECLARATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, I issued a Declaration of Public Health Emergency, determining that COVID-19, is a threat to public health in the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, on April 30, 2020, June 29, 2020, August 28, 2020, October 23, 2020, December 22, 2020, and February 19, 2021, I renewed the Declaration of Public Health Emergency; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 continues to pose a threat to public health in the State of Florida and requires that ongoing measures be taken to protect the public health.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Scott A. Rivkees, M.D., State Surgeon General and State Health Officer, by virtue of the authority vested in me by section 381.00315, Florida Statutes, and with the concurrence of the Governor, re-declare that a public health emergency exists in the State of Florida. The Declaration of Public Health Emergency issued on March 1, 2020, and renewed on April 30, 2020, June 29, 2020, August 28, 2020, October 23, 2020, December 22, 2020, and February 19, 2021, is incorporated herein by reference, and hereby renewed and all sections reaffirmed for 60 days.

Executed and issued this 20th day of April, 2021, at Department of Health offices, Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida.

Scott A. Rivkees, M.D.
State Surgeon General