Re: All Pinellas County Hotels/Motels and Condominiums with Swimming Pools

Pursuant to Pinellas County Resolution No. 20-20: “COVID-19 – SAFER AT HOME” ORDER (Order), effective Thursday, March 26, 2020 at 12:00 PM ET, all swimming pools located at hotels, motels, lodging establishments, condominiums and commercial business establishments as well as homeowners associations shall be closed. This Order is necessary to enforce Centers for Disease Control (CDC) social distancing and group gathering guidelines. Pinellas County guidance on this closure reads:

“Places of public and private assembly are required to close, whether indoors or outdoors. This includes locations with amusement rides, water parks, pools (except for those in single-family homes), zoos, museums, movie and other theaters, public playgrounds, bowling alleys, pool halls, concert and music halls, country clubs, social clubs and fraternal organizations.”

Pinellas County issued the Order to preserve the health, safety, and welfare of our residents and to preserve the ability of our healthcare system to serve all in need. Our emergency management and public health officials believe that the situation will quickly worsen without this intervention. It is our hope that following these measures will allow everyone to resume normal business operations sooner rather than later.

The requirements of this Order have the force of law and may be enforced by any available legal process up to and including being punishable as a crime by incarceration and/or a fine. To report a violation or ask questions about these requirements, please call 727-582-TIPS (8477).

Your adherence with the Order and cooperation are appreciated.

Sheriff Bob Gualtieri

Barry A. Burton, County Administrator