WHEREAS, section 252.38(3)(a), Florida Statutes, gives political subdivisions the authority to declare and enact a State of Local Emergency for a period of up to seven days, thereby waiving the procedures and formalities otherwise required of the political subdivision by law; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2020, the Governor of Florida issued Executive Order Number 20-51, directing the State Health Officer and Surgeon General to declare a Public Health Emergency due to the discovery of COVID-19/novel Coronavirus in Florida; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order Number 20-52, declaring a State of Emergency for the State of Florida related to COVID-19/novel Coronavirus; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the County Mayor declared a State of Emergency for all of Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, on March 30, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order Number 20-89, restricting the operations of non-essential businesses in certain South Florida counties and requiring such establishments to take reasonable actions to comply with the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines on social distancing; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19/novel Coronavirus poses a health risk to Miami-Dade County residents, particularly elderly residents and those who are immunosuppressed or otherwise have high-risk medical conditions; and

WHEREAS, the County needs timely and accurate information in order to ensure its efforts to combat the virus are effective,

THEREFORE, as County Mayor of Miami-Dade County, I hereby order:

1. Each hospital shall report to hospitalreporting@miamidade.gov on a daily basis by 10:15am and 7:15pm, the following information to the County: (1) current staffed inventory of General Acute Care beds (does not include OB, pediatric or specialty/rehab); (2) current staffed inventory of Intensive Care Unit (ICU) beds; (3) total number of unused beds at the hospital which could be converted used to ICU beds; (4) total number of beds that can be converted to General Acute Care beds; (5) total number of ventilators available for immediate deployment; (6) total number of ventilators on standby; (7) total number of respirators and/or anesthesia machines that can be converted to serve as
ventilators; (8) total COVID-19 patients admitted; (9) COVID-19 positive patients in ICU beds; (10) COVID-19 positive patients in non-ICU beds; (11) COVID-19 patients currently on a ventilator, (12) new COVID-19 patients admitted since the prior day’s reporting; and (13) COVID-19 patients discharged since the prior days reporting.

2. Each hospital shall be responsible for providing the above information solely with respect to its physical campus. No hospital shall transmit any individually identifiable patient health information which may not be disclosed pursuant to federal or state law. If a hospital believes that all or some of this information is trade secret, as defined in Florida Statutes, the hospital shall expressly indicate this when it transmits this information.

3. This order shall be effective as of 11:59 p.m., Saturday, April 4, 2020.

4. This order shall expire upon the expiration of the existing Miami-Dade County State of Local Emergency, except that if such State of Local Emergency is extended, this order shall also be deemed to extend for the duration of such extension. This order may be cancelled earlier by action of the County Mayor.

5. This order shall be provided to all appropriate media consistent with the requirements of section 8B-7(2)(n) of the Code of Miami-Dade County.

Enacted:  
Signed:  

COUNTY MAYOR

Date: 4/4/2020  
Time: 12:20

Witness:  

Cancelled:  
Signed:  

COUNTY MAYOR

Date:  
Time: __:__

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