WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, I issued Executive Order 20-52 declaring a state of emergency for the entire State of Florida as a result of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on April 29, 2020, based on data showing a downward trajectory of hospital visits for influenza-like illness and COVID-19-like syndromic cases, a decrease in percent positive test results, and a significant increase in hospital capacity, I issued Executive Order 20-112 initiating Phase 1 of the Safe. Smart. Step-by-Step. Plan for Florida’s Recovery; and

WHEREAS, this Executive Order did not apply to Miami-Dade and Broward Counties; and

WHEREAS, local leadership in Broward and Miami-Dade Counties, citing data showing a downward trajectory of influenza-like illness and COVID-like illness and a low percent of new individuals testing positive, have requested that the County proceed to Phase 1.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS, as Governor of Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Article IV, Section (1)(a) of the Florida Constitution and Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, and all other applicable laws, promulgate the following Executive Order:

Section 1. Broward and Miami-Dade Counties to Phase 1

Executive Order 20-112, as modified by Executive Order 20-120, is further modified as follows:
As of the effective date of this order, the restriction in Section 2(A)(2) of Executive Order 20-112 no longer applies to Broward and Miami-Dade Counties.

Section 2. Effective Date

This order is effective at 12:01 a.m. on May 18, 2020.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, this 14th day of May, 2020.

RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE