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## Lee County extends short-term vacation rentals prohibition

Fort Myers, FL, April 10, 2020 – Lee County Manager Roger Desjarlais today, April 10, signed an Order extending the prohibition on short-term vacation rental properties that was part of Gov. Ron DeSantis' March 27 Executive Order.

The statewide order was set to expire and has not been extended by a subsequent Order.

The Order, which Desjarlais signed under his authority within the Board of County Commissioners' State of Local Emergency, means the prohibition within Lee County will remain in effect until April 30 and may be extended.

Under the Order, vacation rentals are prohibited from making new reservations or bookings.

"Lee County has not yet peaked in the number of anticipated COVID-19 cases," Desjarlais said. "This county order is consistent with the Board's policies and steps taken to limit the risk of exposure to the coronavirus."

The order will be posted at <a href="www.leegov.com/covid-19">www.leegov.com/covid-19</a> under the "documents and resolutions" section. Visit <a href="www.leegov.com/covid-19/documents">www.leegov.com/covid-19/documents</a>.