



The Governor held an afternoon Press Conference in his office today, April 1, 2020, in it he shared:

Governor's Remarks

- Cruise Ships
 - We will take all Floridians, but most are not
 - We just don't want beds and resources
 - Spoke with President this morning about it and he wants to find a solution
- South Florida
 - Broward and Miami Dade represent over half the case 60% with Palm Beach
 - Commend Dade, Broward and Palm Beach on their sweeping shutdowns
 - Not the best idea for the other parts of the state
- Federal
 - 30-day guideline extension, really reflecting a true national pause
- Impending Executive Order
 - Directing all Floridians to stay at home order and only travel for essential services
 - Moskowitz and Rivkees will be able to add essential services as they see fit
 - Despite areas with low infection rates, at the same time, this is another 30-day situation
 - Will go into effect tomorrow night at midnight
- Economic Fall-out
 - We need to work on mitigating it
 - We're working hard to ensure federal relief makes it to
 - We have an opportunity to address
 - Transportation Accelerate \$2.1 billion in road projects
 - \$864 million Howard Franklin accelerated four weeks
 - Widen Southern Blvd in Palm Beach accelerated by three months
 - I-395 traffic interchange accelerated by 4 weeks
 - Sand Lake accelerated by 4-6 weeks
- Testing
 - Over 63,000 tests
 - Once we hit 105,000 tests, that puts us in South Korea range
 - With higher positives in Dade, it is showing the virus is circulating differently there
- Priorities
 - Testing
 - Healthcare Supplies
 - Hospital capacity
- Trends
 - The infections are skewing younger, so it means seniors are heeding the orders



Press Questions

- Shutdown when did you decide
 - Really when the President did the 30-day extension it represented a national pause, so it is a signal from the President that there is no return to normalcy for at least a month. The per capita infection rate is low taking out South Florida. We don't know how these will work since they have never been tried in America society before.
- Mask situation
 - Hurts healthcare workers when we go to pick up masks and they are not there. It is not a normal situation because of how in-demand they are. We have received some from HHS, but most are from other places. It's been great to send to nursing homes. "It's shady as hell."
- Executive Order
 - The government can't ham fist in their bedroom, we need people to exercise good judgment.
- University of Washington trend is predicting high numbers of hospitalizations and deaths
 - Between what the Counties have done and what we have done, we will see progress. You even see it in the President's demeanor he's changed. While I don't know if the numbers are accurate, it is very serious. We need to get a handle on this travel situation both domestically and internationally. The rapid testing will allow us to protect ourselves to do more than just work at home.
- Executive Order- non-essential business shutdown?
 - More geared toward individuals and directing them not to leave for non-essential reasons. But we still want people to go outside but just be distant
- Hospital capacity?
 - Some projections that we would be busted by now. We continue to monitor regularly and have field hospitals ready to be set up. Hotels have offered. What would make sense would be to put the healthcare workers up there. Flattening the curve is what this is all about. Behavior has freed up beds because of better hygiene
- Unemployment compensation system are they in danger of not getting \$600 stimulus
 - Obviously, a priority, it's a capacity that is so far beyond what they can do. Don't spare expense, hire who we need to hire. Its important for these folks. These people did nothing wrong; it was a shock to the industry. Even businesses
- The system didn't work before this why didn't you fix then?
 - We kept more personnel than we needed. I am getting a brief on it today but talk to DEO.
- Definition of essential business
 - Department of Homeland Security published their list of essential services so we're starting there but also adding what Miami Dade did. We are clear that taking care of pets is an essential activity. We can add or not add as we see fit.