April 8, 2021

Grand Isles Residents,

Last week Florida Governor Ron DeSantis signed Senate Bill #72 into law. Basically, it states that business entities (HOA's included) cannot be sued for frivolous lawsuits by individuals claiming they contracted COVID-19 there. The proof of where an individual contracted COVID-19 is the responsibility of the individual filing the lawsuit.

Businesses still must comply with certain guidelines showing they are making a good faith effort to make their business a safe environment. This means we must still practice social distancing with non family members, and we must wear face masks whenever possible and near individuals and especially inside.

This is a real game-changer for us. You will see subtle changes due to this law all around you, including in our community.

The Grand Isles Board has voted to update our guidelines on common area use, effective April 12, 2021.

As of 8 a.m. next Monday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, our swimming pools will be open each day from dawn to dusk. A banner will be at each pool with our new guidelines. We will no longer have pool attendants or require signing waivers. The banners will state the following: Enter at your own risk. Practice social distancing. Wear face masks if possible (when not in the pool). Clean furniture/bathroom/water fountain after use and before leaving. No food or beverages allowed other than water bottles.

We also ask that no guests of our residents use our pools.

At 8 a.m. next Monday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, the Clubhouse and Gym will be open daily. The hours of use will be 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. for the gym. We will no longer require you to sign waivers. The hours for clubhouse use will be 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The clubhouse will not be available for rental at this time, due to social distancing rules. In order to enter the clubhouse, you will need the new fob. Do not expect someone to be a doorman and let you in without a fob. **Note: in the next month, we will be adding a fob system to the entrances for our Clubhouse pool area. So make sure you have one of the new fobs.** The same safety guidelines apply. A banner will show our guidelines. Use at your own risk. Practice social distancing. Wear face masks if possible. Clean furniture/equipment/water fountain/bathroom after each use. Put trash away. No food or beverages allowed, other than water bottles.

We will have similar banners at the Kiddie Play area, the tennis courts, and the basketball courts. Use at your own risk.

Our maintenance company works five days a week, excluding Wednesday and Sunday. They will clean our clubhouse, gym, and bathrooms/water fountains on those days. We have retained a company to sanitize spray our clubhouse, pool areas, bathrooms, and guardhouse weekly. With your help, we will all be safe. <u>As always, if you are uncomfortable with these new rules, we encourage you to not use our facilities at this time.</u> Use at your own risk.

We are over a year into the Covid-19 pandemic. It has affected us all in many ways. It is uncertain if our world will ever go back to the way it was before. We appreciate all of you for understanding that the HOA Board is doing its best to protect our residents from any legal liability while not interrupting your life any more than necessary. We appreciate all of you who have been patient and understanding of the process we are going through.

Thank you.

The Grand Isles HOA Board of Directors