



**AGENDA  
VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING  
VILLAGE HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
226 CYPRESS LANE ■ PALM SPRINGS, FL 33461  
NOVEMBER 8, 2022  
5:00 PM**

**COUNCIL**

- ☐ Mayor Bev Smith
- ☐ Vice Mayor Doug Gunther
- ☐ Mayor Pro Tem Joni Brinkman
- ☐ Council Member Patti Waller
- ☐ Council Member Gary Ready

**ADMINISTRATION**

- ☐ Village Manager Michael Bornstein
- ☐ Village Attorney Glen Torcivia
- ☐ Village Clerk Kimberly Wynn

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*If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Council concerning any considered matter, they will need a record of the proceeding. For such purposes, they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is available. The recording includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.*

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**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. **Resolution No. 2022-49 - Declare a State of Emergency** Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2022-49; Providing that the Village Manager may enact a local state of emergency within the Village of Palm Springs as needed and related to Tropical Storm Nicole.

Staff: Kimberly Wynn, Village Clerk

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| Motion | Second | Vote |
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2. Discussion Pertaining to Tropical Storm Nicole

Staff: Kimberly Wynn, Village Clerk

**ADJOURNMENT**

**NEXT MEETING**

## Village of Palm Springs

### Title VI/Nondiscrimination Policy

#### **I. Policy Statement:**

The Village of Palm Springs values diversity and welcomes input from all interested parties, regardless of cultural identity, background, or income level. Moreover, the Village believes the best programs and services result from careful consideration of the needs of all its communities and when those communities are involved in the decision-making process. The Village does not tolerate discrimination in any of its programs, services, or activities. Pursuant to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and other federal and state authorities, the Village will not exclude from participation in, deny the benefits of, or subject to discrimination anyone on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, religion, or family status.

#### **II. Persons with Disabilities:**

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) and related federal and state laws and regulations forbid discrimination against those who have disabilities. These laws require federal-aid recipients and other government entities to take affirmative steps to reasonably accommodate those with disabilities and ensure that their needs are equitably represented.

The Village will make every effort to ensure that its facilities, programs, services, and activities are accessible to those with disabilities. The Village will also make every effort to ensure that its advisory committees, public involvement activities and all other programs, services and activities include representation by communities with disabilities and disability service groups.

The Village encourages the public to report any facility, program, service, or activity that appears inaccessible to those who are disabled. Also, the Village will provide reasonable accommodation to individuals with disabilities who wish to participate in public involvement events or who require special assistance to access facilities, programs, services, or activities. Because providing reasonable accommodation may require outside assistance, the Village asks that requests be made at least three (3) business days prior to the need for accommodation. Questions, concerns, comments, or requests for accommodation should be made to the Village ADA Officer:

Name: Ashley Saingilus

Address: 226 Cypress Lane, Palm Springs, FL 33461

Email: [asaingilus@vpsfl.org](mailto:asaingilus@vpsfl.org)

Phone: (561) 584-8200 Ext. 8419

### **III. Complaint Procedures:**

The Village has established a discrimination complaint procedure and will take prompt and reasonable action to investigate and eliminate discrimination when found. Any person who believes that he or she has been subjected to discrimination based upon race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, disability or family status in any Village program, service or activity may file a complaint with the Village Title VI/Nondiscrimination Coordinator:

Name: Janette Piedra, Human Resources Manager  
Address: 226 Cypress Lane, Palm Springs, FL 33461  
Email: [jpiedra@vpsfl.org](mailto:jpiedra@vpsfl.org)  
Phone: (561) 584-8200 Ext. 8421



# Village of Palm Springs

## Executive Brief

**AGENDA DATE:** November 8, 2022

**DEPARTMENT:** Administration

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**ITEM #1:** Resolution No. 2022-49

**SUMMARY:** Tropical Storm Nicole is being closely monitored by the Village Manager and Assistant Village Manager. In light of upcoming storm conditions, the Village Manager determined that declaring a Local State of Emergency is in the public interest of the Village. For the safety of its residents and employees. On November 9th and 10th, 2022, the Village Hall will be closed. Meetings of the Local Planning Agency and Village Council are still scheduled until further notice.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

N/A

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Resolution No. 2022-49 - State of Emergency
2. DeSantis Executive Order-22-253

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2022-49**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF PALM SPRINGS, FLORIDA, PROVIDING THAT THE VILLAGE MANAGER MAY ENACT A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF PALM SPRINGS AS NEEDED AND RELATED TO TROPICAL STORM NICOLE; THE VILLAGE COUNCIL FURTHER PROVIDES THAT THE VILLAGE MANAGER HAS THE AUTHORITY TO AUTHORIZE THE EVACUATION OF RESIDENTS FROM CERTAIN AREAS OF THE VILLAGE OR THE WHOLE VILLAGE, TO MAKE EMERGENCY PURCHASES, DECLARE A PEDESTRIAN AND VEHICULAR CURFEW AND CALL AN EMERGENCY MEETING OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL AS WELL AS TO SUSPEND, CANCEL OR RESCHEDULE NON-ESSENTIAL PUBLIC MEETINGS, LIMIT PUBLIC ACCESS TO VILLAGE FACILITIES AND SERVICES, PROVIDE FOR EMPLOYMENT MATTERS INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO FLEXIBLE SCHEDULING AND ALTERNATIVE STAFFING MODELS TO SERVE THE VILLAGE'S NEEDS; INCLUDING CANCELLING OUTSIDE EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES AND OTHER RELATED PURPOSES FOR EFFICIENT AND SAFE OPERATIONS FOR THE VILLAGE BUSINESS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, as of Tuesday, November 8, 2022, Governor Ron DeSantis, Governor of the State of Florida, has declared a State of Emergency within the state issuing Executive Order 22-253, for thirty-four (34) counties along the east coast in the path of the State of Florida in response to Tropical Storm Nicole; and

**WHEREAS**, by declaring a State of Emergency in all Florida counties, Governor Ron DeSantis wants to ensure that local governments have ample time, resources, and flexibility to be prepared for this dangerous storm and are not hindered, delayed, or prevented from taking all necessary actions to keep communities safe.

**WHEREAS**, a State of Local Emergency of the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners has been declared on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, in response to Tropical Storm Nicole; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 2.3 of the Village of Palm Springs Code of Ordinances authorizes among other things, curfews, and emergency procurement procedures during a state of emergency; and,

**WHEREAS**, the health and safety of the public related to Tropical Storm Nicole is of paramount importance; thus, it is in the best interest of the residents of the Village of Palm Springs for the Village Council to adopt this resolution.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF PALM SPRINGS, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** The Village Council hereby directs that due to the impending impacts from Tropical Storm Nicole and to ensure the protection of the residents of the Village of Palm Springs, until directed otherwise by the Village Council, the determination of a local state of emergency, pursuant to Section 2-3 of the Code of Ordinances, may be made by the Village Manager in regard to Tropical Storm Nicole, which poses a severe threat to the east coast of the State of Florida, including the Village and

its residents and requires that timely precautions are taken to protect the Village's critical infrastructure, residents, structures, and general welfare of the Village.

The Village Council further provides that the Village Manager has the authority to call an emergency meeting of the village council as well as to suspend, cancel or reschedule non-essential public meetings, limit public access to Village facilities and services, provide for flexible scheduling and alternative staffing models, telecommuting paid leave time; also cancelling outside events and activities and other related purposes for efficient and safe operations for the Village business. To the extent the Village Manager must enact a temporary policy which conflicts with an existing ordinance, resolution or policy of the Village Council, the Village Manager shall temporarily enact said policy and seek ratification of the policy by the Village Council at such time as is reasonably possible and consistent with all Federal, State and County preventative and mitigation measures currently in existence.

**Section 2.** The Village Manager, once he enacts a local state of emergency, is hereby authorized to take any and all actions deemed necessary to protect and preserve the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the Village of Palm Springs and the public at-large and as may be set forth in Section 2-3 of the Code of Ordinances.

**Section 3.** Tropical Storm Nicole could seriously affect and threaten the lives and property of the residents of the Village of Palm Springs and therefore, the Village Council authorizes the evacuation of citizens as determined by the Palm Beach County Emergency Management Operations, the Village Manager and/or the Police Chief.

**Section 4.** This authority to the Village Manager shall only extend until action by the Village Council terminates such authority.

**Section 5.** Severability. If any ~~clause~~ section, or other ~~part~~ or application of this Resolution shall be held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid such unconstitutional or invalid part or application shall be considered as eliminated, and so not affecting the validity of the remaining portions or applications remaining in full force and effect.

**Section 6.** Conflicts. All Resolutions or parts of Resolutions in conflict herewith are to the extent of such conflicts hereby repealed.

**Section 7.** Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Council Member \_\_\_\_\_ offered the foregoing resolution. Council Member \_\_\_\_\_ seconded the motion, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

|                              | <u>Aye</u>               | <u>Nay</u>               | <u>Absent</u>            |
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| BEVERLY SMITH, MAYOR         | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| DOUG GUNTHER, VICE MAYOR     | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| JONI BRINKMAN, MAYOR PRO TEM | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| PATTI WALLER, COUNCIL MEMBER | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| GARY READY, COUNCIL MEMBER   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

The Mayor thereupon declared this Resolution duly passed and adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2022.

VILLAGE OF PALM SPRINGS, FLORIDA

BY \_\_\_\_\_

BEVERLY SMITH, MAYOR

ATTEST:

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

KIMBERLY M. WYNN, VILLAGE CLERK

REVIEWED FOR FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

GLEN J. TORCIVIA, VILLAGE ATTORNEY

# STATE OF FLORIDA

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 22-253 (Emergency Management –Subtropical Storm Nicole)

**WHEREAS**, as of 4:00 AM EST on November 7, 2022, Subtropical Storm Nicole was located 555 miles East of Nassau, Bahamas with maximum sustained winds of 45 miles per hour; and

**WHEREAS**, the National Hurricane Center predicts Subtropical Storm Nicole will impact Florida's East Coast and could affect portions of the previously impacted area still recovering from Hurricane Ian; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a risk of dangerous storm surge, heavy rainfall, flash flooding, strong winds, hazardous seas, beach erosion, and the potential for isolated tornadic activity for Florida's Peninsula; and

**WHEREAS**, the threat posed by Subtropical Storm Nicole requires that timely precautions are taken to protect the communities, critical infrastructure, and general welfare of Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, as Governor, I am responsible to meet the dangers presented to Florida and its people by this emergency.

**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 by the Florida Emergency Management Act, as amended, and all other applicable laws, promulgate the following Executive Order, to take immediate effect:

Section 1. Because of the foregoing conditions, which are projected to constitute a major disaster, I declare that a state of emergency exists in Brevard, Broward, Charlotte, Citrus, Clay, Collier, DeSoto, Duval, Flagler, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Highlands, Hillsborough, Indian River,

Lake, Lee, Manatee, Martin, Miami-Dade, Nassau, Okeechobee, Orange, Osceola, Palm Beach, Pasco, Polk, Putnam, Sarasota, Seminole, St. Johns, St. Lucie, Sumter, and Volusia Counties.

Section 2. I designate the Director of the Division of Emergency Management as the State Coordinating Officer for the duration of this emergency and direct him to execute the State's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and other response, recovery, and mitigation plans necessary to cope with the emergency. Pursuant to section 252.36(1)(a), Florida Statutes, I delegate to the State Coordinating Officer the authority to exercise those powers delineated in sections 252.36(6)-(12), Florida Statutes, which he shall exercise as needed to meet this emergency, subject to the limitations of section 252.33, Florida Statutes. In exercising the powers delegated by this Executive Order, the State Coordinating Officer shall confer with the Governor to the fullest extent practicable. The State Coordinating Officer shall also have the authority to:

A. Invoke and administer the Emergency Management Assistance Compact ("EMAC") (sections 252.921-252.9335, Florida Statutes) and other compacts and agreements existing between the State of Florida and other states, and the further authority to coordinate the allocation of resources from such other states that are made available to Florida under such compacts and agreements so as to best meet this emergency.

B. Seek direct assistance and enter into agreements with any and all agencies of the federal government as may be needed to meet this emergency.

C. Direct all state, regional, and local governmental agencies, including law enforcement agencies, to identify personnel needed from those agencies to assist in meeting the response, recovery, and mitigation needs created by this emergency, and to place all such personnel under the direct command and coordination of the State Coordinating Officer to meet this emergency.

D. Direct the actions of any state agency as necessary to implement the Federal Emergency Management Agency's National Disaster Recovery Framework.

E. Designate Deputy State Coordinating Officers and Deputy State Disaster Recovery Coordinators, as necessary.

F. Suspend the effect of any statute, rule, or order that would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay any mitigation, response, or recovery action necessary to cope with this emergency. In accordance with section 252.3611(1), Florida Statutes, any such order, declaration, or other action shall specify each statute or rule being amended or waived, if applicable, and the expiration date for the order or action.

G. Enter orders as may be needed to implement any of the foregoing powers. The requirements of sections 252.46(1)-(2) and 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, do not apply to any such orders issued by the State Coordinating Officer. No such order shall remain in effect beyond the expiration of this Executive Order, including any extension thereof.

Section 3. I order the Adjutant General to activate the Florida National Guard, as needed, to deal with this emergency.

Section 4. I find that the special duties and responsibilities resting upon some state, regional, and local agencies and other governmental bodies in responding to this emergency may require them to suspend or waive certain statutes, rules, ordinances, and orders they administer. Therefore, I issue the following authorizations:

A. Pursuant to section 252.36(6)(a), Florida Statutes, the Executive Office of the Governor may suspend all statutes and rules affecting budgeting to the extent necessary to provide budget authority for state agencies to cope with this emergency. The requirements of sections 252.46(1)-(2) and 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, do not apply to any such suspension issued by the

Executive Office of the Governor. No such suspension shall remain in effect beyond the expiration of this Executive Order, including any extension thereof.

B. Each state agency may suspend the provisions of any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or the orders or rules of that agency, if strict compliance with the provisions of any such statute, order, or rule would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the emergency. This includes, but is not limited to, the authority to suspend any and all statutes, rules, ordinances, or orders which affect leasing, printing, purchasing, travel, and the condition of employment and the compensation of employees. In accordance with section 252.3611(1), Florida Statutes, any agency order, declaration, or other action suspending a statute or rule shall specify each statute or rule being amended or waived, if applicable, and the expiration date for the order or action. The requirements of sections 252.46(1)-(2) and 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, shall not apply to any such suspension issued by a state agency. No such suspension shall remain in effect beyond the expiration of this Executive Order, including any extension thereof.

C. In accordance with section 252.38(3), Florida Statutes, each political subdivision within the State of Florida may waive the procedures and formalities otherwise required of the political subdivision by law pertaining to:

- 1) Performance of public work and taking whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community;
- 2) Following local procurement and contracting policies;
- 3) Entering into contracts; however, political subdivisions are cautioned against entering into time and materials contracts without a ceiling as defined by 2 CFR 200.318(j) or cost plus a percentage of cost contracts prohibited by 2 CFR 200.324(d);
- 4) Incurring obligations;

- 5) Employment of permanent and temporary workers;
- 6) Utilization of volunteer workers;
- 7) Rental of equipment;
- 8) Acquisition and distribution, with or without compensation, of supplies, materials, and facilities; and
- 9) Appropriation and expenditure of public funds.

D. All agencies whose employees are certified as disaster service volunteers within the meaning of section 110.120(2)(d), Florida Statutes, may, in accordance with section 110.120(3), Florida Statutes, release any such employees for such service as requested by the employee to meet this emergency.

E. The Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation (DOT) may:

- 1) Waive the collection of tolls and other fees and charges for the use of the Turnpike and other public highways, to the extent such waiver may be needed to provide emergency assistance or facilitate the evacuation of the affected counties;
- 2) Manage the flow of traffic or close any and all roads, highways, and portions of highways as may be needed for the safe and efficient transportation of evacuees to those counties that the State Coordinating Officer may designate as destination counties for evacuees in this emergency;
- 3) Suspend enforcement of the registration requirements pursuant to section 316.545(4), Florida Statutes, for commercial motor vehicles that enter Florida to provide emergency services or supplies, to transport emergency equipment, supplies or personnel, or to transport FEMA mobile homes or office style mobile homes into or from Florida;

4) Waive by special permit the warning signal requirements in the Utility Accommodations Manual to accommodate public utility companies from other jurisdictions which render assistance in restoring vital services; and

5) Waive the size and weight restrictions for divisible loads on any vehicles transporting emergency equipment, services, supplies, and agricultural commodities and citrus as recommended by the Commissioner of Agriculture, allowing the establishment of alternate size and weight restrictions for all such vehicles for the duration of the emergency. The DOT shall issue permits and such vehicles shall be subject to such special conditions as the DOT may endorse on any such permits.

Nothing in this Executive Order shall be construed to allow any vehicle to exceed weight limits posted for bridges and like structures, or relieve any vehicle or the carrier, owner, or driver of any vehicle from compliance with any restrictions other than those specified in this Executive Order, or from any statute, rule, order, or other legal requirement not specifically waived or suspended herein or by supplemental order by the State Coordinating Officer.

F. The Executive Director of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV) may:

1) Suspend enforcement of the registration requirements pursuant to sections 316.545(4) and 320.0715, Florida Statutes, for commercial motor vehicles that enter Florida to provide emergency services or supplies, to transport emergency equipment, supplies or personnel, or to transport FEMA mobile homes or office style mobile homes into or from Florida;

2) Waive the hours-of-service requirements for such vehicles;

3) Suspend the enforcement of the licensing and registration requirements under the International Fuel Tax Agreement (IFTA) pursuant to chapter 207, Florida Statutes, and the International Registration Plan (IRP) pursuant to section 320.0715, Florida Statutes, for motor

carriers or drivers operating commercial motor vehicles that are properly registered in other jurisdictions and that are participating in emergency relief efforts through the transportation of equipment and supplies or providing other assistance in the form of emergency services;

4) Waive fees for duplicate or replacement vessel registration certificates, vessel title certificates, vehicle license plates, vehicle registration certificates, vehicle tag certificates, vehicle title certificates, handicapped parking permits, replacement drivers' licenses, and replacement identification cards and to waive the additional fees for the late renewal of or application for such licenses, certificates, and documents due to the effects of adverse weather conditions; and

5) Defer administrative actions and waive fees imposed by law for the late renewal or application for the above licenses, certificates, and documents, which were delayed due to the effects of adverse weather conditions, including in counties wherein the DHSMV has closed offices, or any office of the County Tax Collector that acts on behalf of the DHSMV to process renewals has closed offices due to adverse weather conditions.

Recordkeeping and other applicable requirements for existing IFTA and IRP licensees and registrants are not affected by this Executive Order. The DHSMV shall promptly notify the State Coordinating Officer when the waiver is no longer necessary.

G. In accordance with section 465.0275(2), Florida Statutes, pharmacists may dispense up to a 30-day emergency prescription refill of maintenance medication to persons who reside in an area or county covered under this Executive Order and to emergency personnel who have been activated by their state or local agency but who do not reside in an area or county covered by this Executive Order. In accordance with section 465.019(4)(b), Florida Statutes, a hospital that operates a Class II or Class III institutional pharmacy located in an area or county covered

under this Executive Order may prescribe and dispense a supply of a medicinal drug lasting up to 72 hours.

H. All state agencies responsible for the use of state buildings and facilities may close such buildings and facilities in those portions of the State affected by this emergency, to the extent necessary to meet this emergency. I direct each state agency to report the closure of any state building or facility to the WebEOC system utilized by the Division of Emergency Management. Under the authority contained in section 252.36, Florida Statutes, I direct each county to report the closure of any building or facility operated or maintained by the county or any political subdivision on a daily basis to the WebEOC system. Furthermore, I direct the Secretary of the Department of Management Services to:

- 1) Maintain an accurate and up-to-date list of all such closures; and
- 2) Provide that list daily to the State Coordinating Officer.

I. All state agencies may abrogate the time requirements, notice requirements, and deadlines for final action on applications for permits, licenses, rates, and other approvals under any statutes or rules under which such applications are deemed to be approved unless disapproved in writing by specified deadlines. All such time requirements that have not yet expired as of the date of this Executive Order are suspended and tolled to the extent necessary to meet this emergency.

J. All agencies shall implement Selected Exempt Services (SES) Extraordinary Payment Plans and Career Service Regular Compensatory Leave Payment Plans for:

- 1) All essential agency personnel who are required to work extraordinary hours when state-owned or state-operated facilities are closed in response to an emergency condition. Employees who are eligible to receive extraordinary pay under the agency's activated plan shall accrue special compensatory leave credits for work performed during facility closures

up to the number of hours in the employee's established workday. For these employees, any additional time worked beyond the employee's established workday during facility closures will result in extraordinary pay;

2) All agency personnel who are assigned to the State Emergency Operations Center and are required to work extraordinary hours; and

3) All agency personnel who are deployed throughout the state in response to an emergency condition and are required to work extraordinary hours.

K. All state agencies may waive the forty-day time limit to issue a warrant pursuant to section 215.422(3)(a)-(b), Florida Statutes. This waiver applies to invoices and reimbursement requests arising from this emergency that were received, inspected, and approved by the agency prior to the expiration of this Executive Order, including any extension thereof. This waiver of section 215.422(3)(a)-(b), Florida Statutes, and all waivers based upon this waiver shall expire upon the expiration of this Executive Order, including any extension thereof.

L. The provisions of section 934.50, Florida Statutes, excluding subsection (4), are waived for state and local agencies conducting emergency operations arising from the state of emergency for the limited purpose of capturing aerial evidence concerning the amount of damage sustained to private and public property; to assist in search, rescue, and recovery activities; and prevent imminent danger to life or serious damage to property.

Section 5. All public facilities, including elementary and secondary schools, community colleges, state universities, and other facilities owned or leased by the state, regional or local governments that are suitable for use as public shelters shall be made available at the request of the local emergency management agencies to ensure the proper reception and care of all evacuees. Under the authority contained in section 252.36, Florida Statutes, I direct the Superintendent of each public school district in the State of Florida to report the closure of any school within its

district to the Commissioner of the Florida Department of Education. Furthermore, I direct the Commissioner of the Department of Education to:

- A. Maintain an accurate and up-to-date list of all such closures; and
- B. Provide that list daily to the State Coordinating Officer.

Section 6. I find that the demands placed upon funds specifically appropriated to state and local agencies for disaster relief or response are unreasonably great and that such funds may be inadequate to pay the costs of coping with this emergency. In accordance with section 252.37(2)(b), Florida Statutes, I direct that sufficient funds be made available, as needed, by transferring and expending moneys from the Emergency Preparedness and Response Fund created under section 252.3711, Florida Statutes.

In accordance with section 252.37(2)(a), Florida Statutes, state agencies responding to this emergency must first spend funds specifically appropriated for disaster relief or response. If no specifically appropriated funds exist, or if funds specifically appropriated are exhausted, state agencies are authorized to spend funds from the Emergency Preparedness and Response Fund through the procedures outlined in Memorandum No. 22-046, Emergency Preparedness and Response.

Section 7. All state agencies entering emergency orders, emergency rules, or other emergency actions in response to this emergency shall advise the State Coordinating Officer contemporaneously or as soon as practicable thereafter, and, pursuant to section 252.36(3)(b), Florida Statutes, shall submit the order or declaration to the Division of Administrative Hearings within five days of issuance.

Section 8. Medical professionals and workers, social workers, and counselors with good and valid professional licenses issued by states other than the State of Florida may render such services in Florida during this emergency for persons affected by this emergency with the

condition that such services be rendered to such persons free of charge, and with the further condition that such services be rendered under the auspices of the American Red Cross or the Florida Department of Health.

Section 9. Pursuant to section 501.160, Florida Statutes, it is unlawful and a violation of section 501.204, Florida Statutes, for a person to rent or sell or offer to rent or sell at an unconscionable price within the area for which the state of emergency is declared, any essential commodity including, but not limited to, supplies, services, provisions, or equipment that is necessary for consumption or use as a direct result of the emergency.

Section 10. Under the authority contained in sections 252.36(6)(a), (g), and (m), Florida Statutes, I direct that, for the purposes of this emergency, the term “essentials”, as defined by section 252.359(2), Florida Statutes, shall be the same as and no more expansive than the term “commodity”, as defined by section 501.160(1)(a), Florida Statutes (hereinafter referred to collectively or alternatively as “essential commodities”). Accordingly, any person who delivers essential commodities to a location in the area(s) declared to be under a state of emergency by this Executive Order, and when necessary to ensure that those commodities are made available to the public, may travel within evacuated areas and exceed curfews, provided the State Coordinating Officer determines, after consultation with the appropriate Emergency Support Function(s), that:

- A. Law enforcement officials in the declared area(s) can provide adequate security to protect the essential commodities from theft;
- B. The weight of a delivery vehicle will not jeopardize the structural integrity of any roadway or bridge located within the declared area;
- C. Delivery vehicles will not negatively impact evacuation activities in the declared area(s); and

D. Delivery vehicles will not negatively impact any response or recovery activities occurring within the declared area(s).

After consulting with the appropriate Emergency Support Function(s), and after consulting with local officials, the State Coordinating Officer may dictate the routes of ingress, egress, and movement within the declared area(s) that drivers must follow when delivering essential commodities.

Provided he or she is actually delivering medications, any person authorized to deliver medications under chapter 893, Florida Statutes, qualifies as a person delivering essential commodities.

In order to qualify as a person delivering essential commodities under this section, a person must be in the process of delivering essential commodities only. If an individual is transporting both essential and non-essential commodities, then this section shall not provide any authorization for that individual to enter into or move within the declared area(s).

Section 11. Consistent with Executive Order 80-29, nothing in this Executive Order shall prevent local jurisdictions in any area not declared to be under a state of emergency by this Executive Order from taking prompt and necessary action to save lives and protect the property of their citizens, including the authority to compel and direct timely evacuation when necessary.

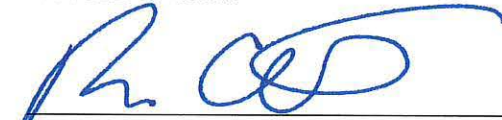
Section 12. I authorize the Florida Housing Finance Corporation to distribute funds pursuant to section 420.9073, Florida Statutes, to any county, municipality, or other political subdivision located within the area(s) declared to be under a state of emergency by this Executive Order. The authority of the Florida Housing Finance Corporation to distribute funds in connection with this emergency shall expire six months after the expiration of this Executive Order, including any extension thereof.

Section 13. All actions taken by the Director of the Division of Emergency Management with respect to this emergency before the issuance of this Executive Order are ratified.

Section 14. This Executive Order is effective immediately and shall expire sixty (60) days from this date unless extended.



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 7th day of November 2022.

  
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RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

  
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SECRETARY OF STATE

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