

STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 23-21

(Emergency Management – Extension of Executive Order 22-218 – Hurricane Ian)

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2022, I issued Executive Order 22-218, declaring a state of emergency for several counties in Florida due to the dangers presented by Tropical Depression Nine; and

WHEREAS, on September 24, 2022, I issued Executive Order 22-219, which amended Executive Order 22-218 to declare a state of emergency for the entire State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, on September 28, 2022, Hurricane Ian made landfall off the coast of Fort Myers as a category 4 hurricane with sustained winds of approximately 150 miles per hour, traveled across the peninsula, and exited the state near Cape Canaveral on September 29, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the scope and scale of the destruction in Southwest Florida is immense and unprecedented, and Hurricane Ian is likely to stand as one of the most destructive storms in U.S. history; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order 22-218, as subsequently extended by Executive Order 22-268, expires on January 20, 2023, unless extended; and

WHEREAS, an extension of Executive Order 22-218 is necessary because recovery efforts and those affected by this disaster require the continued support of the State of Florida.

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. The state of emergency and all provisions of Executive Order 22-218, as amended by Executive Order 22-219 and subsequently extended by Executive Order 22-268, are renewed for sixty (60) days following the date of this Executive Order.

Section 2. Except as amended herein, Executive Orders 22-218 and 22-219 are ratified and reaffirmed.

Section 3. This Executive Order is effective immediately.



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 19th day of January, 2023.



RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



SECRETARY OF STATE

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