

**EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER RESCINDING EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2022-09
PROHIBITING PRICE GOUGING**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, constitutional home rule powers, and Chapter 72, Seminole County Code, the Seminole County Board of County Commissioners has adopted the Seminole County revised Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, Seminole County executed Executive Order No. 2022-01 declaring a Local State of Emergency under the provisions of Chapter 72, Seminole County Code, due to the serious threat to life and property within Seminole County arising from and related to Hurricane Ian; and

WHEREAS, on September 29, 2022 and every seven (7) days thereafter, the Local State of Emergency was extended for an additional seven (7) days as reflected in Executive Orders 2022-005, 2022-008, 2022-010, 2022-011, 2022-13, 2022-014, 2022-016, 2022-020, 2022-022, 2022-23 and 2022-024 due to the severe flooding and remediation of hazardous debris caused by Hurricane Ian and Hurricane Nicole; and

WHEREAS, Section 252.38(3)(a)(5), Florida Statutes, grants political subdivisions the authority to take whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the community during a state of local emergency; and

WHEREAS, the availability of goods, materials and services to our residents is absolutely necessary and required for the health, safety and welfare of the public; and

WHEREAS, the imposition or demand of any excessive or exorbitant price for goods, services or materials is an unfair business practice which is shocking to the conscience and a violation of public policy and the laws of Florida; and

WHEREAS, Section 72.6(b)(1)(G), Seminole County Code, grants the Chief Administrator of Emergency Management the authority to prohibit by Executive Order the charging of more than the average retail price for goods, materials or services sold during a declared Local State of Emergency; and

WHEREAS, Emergency Executive Order No. 2022-09 prohibited price gouging; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that Emergency Executive Order No. 2022-09 can be rescinded.

NOW, THEREFORE, BY THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AS CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT, IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE OF THE CITIZENS OF SEMINOLE COUNTY, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

Section 1. Rescinding Emergency Executive Order No. 2022-09 Prohibiting Price Gouging. Emergency Executive Order No. 2022-09 and any other Executive Order related to Price Gouging is hereby rescinded in its entirety effective upon the execution of this Order.

ORDERED this 16 day of December, 2022 at 0800.



**Alan Harris,
CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR
OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**