

**EXECUTIVE ORDER EXTENDING LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY
(Hurricane Milton)**

WHEREAS, on October 5, 2024, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order No. 24-214, as amended by Executive Order No. 24-215 on October 6, 2024, concerning Tropical Storm Milton, now known as Hurricane Milton, declaring a state of emergency for multiple Florida counties, including Seminole County; and

WHEREAS, on October 6, 2024, Seminole County Executive Order No. 2024-007 was executed, declaring a Local State of Emergency under the provisions of Chapter 72, Seminole County Code, due to heavy rain and winds and possible flooding in low lying areas of the County posed by Tropical Storm Milton, now known as Hurricane Milton; and

WHEREAS, the County's Local State of Emergency was extended for seven (7) additional days on October 11, 2024 by Seminole County Executive Order No. 2024-009; and

WHEREAS, the County's Local State of Emergency was extended for seven (7) additional days on October 18, 2024 by Seminole County Executive Order No. 2024-013; and

WHEREAS, the remediation efforts necessitated by Hurricane Milton, inclusive of debris removal, flood remediation, and repairs to utilities and other infrastructure, continue to pose a serious threat to the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Seminole County; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to extend the declaration of Local State of Emergency for an additional seven (7) days.

NOW, THEREFORE, BY THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

Section 1. Extension of Declared Local State of Emergency. Due to the damage caused by severe weather; extensive debris; very high winds; heavy rain; and flooding caused by Hurricane Milton, all of which pose a serious threat to the lives or property of the residents of Seminole County, an extension to the declared Local State of Emergency is effective immediately. The Local State of Emergency will remain in effect within the legal boundaries of Seminole County, Florida for seven (7) days from the date hereof and may be extended by Executive Order as necessary in seven (7) day increments.

Section 2. Waiver of Procedures and Formalities Otherwise Required. Due to the extension of the Local State of Emergency, the procedures and formalities required of the County by law or ordinance continue to be waived as they pertain to:

- (a) Performance of public work and taking whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the community;
- (b) Entering into contracts;
- (c) Incurring obligations;
- (d) Employment of permanent and temporary workers;
- (e) Utilization of volunteer workers;
- (f) Rental of equipment;

- (g) Acquisition and distribution, with or without compensation, of supplies, materials and facilities; and
- (h) Appropriation and expenditure of public funds.

Section 3. Alterations or Rescission. This Extension of the Declared Local State of Emergency may be altered or rescinded either by the issuance of a subsequent Executive Order or by an appropriate Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners.

ORDERED this 25 day of October, 2024; at 0800.

By: _____

JAY ZEMBOWER, Chairman
Seminole County Board of County Commissioners