



PROCLAMATION OF LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY (Anticipated Rainfall Event with Localized Flooding and Storm System Currently Identified as Tropical Storm Milton)

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, will experience a rainfall event beginning on October 6, 2024, which is expected to result in localized flooding; and

WHEREAS, Governor Ron DeSantis, *via* Executive Order Number 24-214 (“Executive Order”), has declared a state of emergency in Florida counties that include Broward County in connection with Tropical Storm Milton, which “could become a major hurricane near or at landfall along the West Florida Coast by the middle of next week”; and

WHEREAS, according to the Executive Order, “current computer modeling shows rainfall predictions of four to eight inches across the Florida Peninsula, with locally higher amounts in excess of eight to twelve inches possible”; and

WHEREAS, heavy rain and flooding pose an imminent threat to the safety of residents of and visitors to the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida; and

WHEREAS, heavy rain and flooding pose an imminent threat to property located in the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Section 2-274, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, empowers the Mayor of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when the City Commission is not in session; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission is not currently in session; and

WHEREAS, upon proclamation of a local emergency the Mayor of the City of Fort Lauderdale is empowered to:

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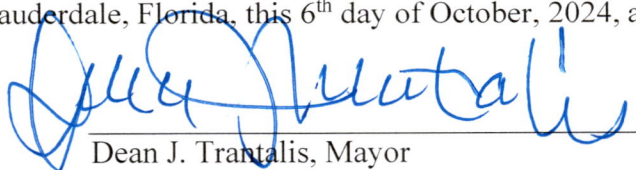
1. Make and issue rules and regulations on matters reasonably related to the protection of life and property as affected by such emergency; provided, however, such rules and regulations must be confirmed at the earliest practicable time by the City Commission;
2. Obtain vital supplies, equipment, and such other properties found lacking and needed for the protection of life and property and bind the city for the fair value thereof and, if required immediately, commandeer the same for public use;
3. Require emergency services of any City officer or employee and, in the event of the proclamation of a state of emergency in Broward County, Florida, command the aid of as many citizens of this community as he deems necessary in the execution of his duties; such persons shall be entitled to all privileges, benefits, and immunities as are provided by state law for registered disaster service workers;
4. Requisition necessary personnel or material of any City department or agency; and
5. Execute all of his ordinary power as Mayor, all of the special powers conferred upon him by Chapter 2, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, or by resolution or emergency plan adopted by the City Commission pursuant to Chapter 2, Article IX, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, all powers conferred upon him by any statute, by an agreement approved by the City Commission, and by any other lawful authority; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 16-51, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, the Mayor is empowered to declare that a state of emergency exists within the boundaries of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, and to exercise the emergency powers conferred in Florida Statutes Sections 870.041 through 870.047;

NOW, THEREFORE, the undersigned, Dean J. Trantalis, Mayor of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, pursuant to the authority vested in him by Sections 16-51 and 2-274, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, does hereby proclaim a local state of emergency in the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, in connection with an anticipated rainfall event with localized flooding beginning on October 6, 2024, and the storm system that is currently identified as Tropical Storm Milton.

The Local State of Emergency declared hereby shall continue for seven (7) days from the date and time hereof unless modified or rescinded by proper authority.

PROCLAIMED, in the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, this 6th day of October, 2024, at 2:06 p.m.


 Dean J. Trantalis, Mayor
 City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida

ATTEST:


 David R. Soloman, City Clerk

