



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, on October 6, 2024, by executive order number 24-215, amending Executive Order 24-214, Emergency Management-Tropical Storm Milton, Governor Ron DeSantis declared a state of emergency for several counties in the State of Florida, including Flagler County, as a result of Hurricane Milton; and

WHEREAS, the City of Palm Coast is located within Flagler County; and

WHEREAS, as of the date of this Proclamation, Hurricane Milton is expected to become a major hurricane before making landfall; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Milton poses a severe threat to Flagler County and the entire State of Florida and requires that timely precautions are taken to protect the communities, critical infrastructure, and the general welfare of the State and the City of Palm Coast; and

WHEREAS, the City determines that in order to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the City and its residents, and to enable the City to respond to, and recover from, the potential effects of Hurricane Milton, it is necessary to waive some procedures and formalities otherwise required of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Charter, Article IV, City Council, Section 4, Powers and duties of the Mayor, and Section 23-54 of the City *Code of Ordinances*, empower the Mayor to declare that a state of emergency exists within the City, consistent with Chapter 252, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, Section 252.38(3), Florida Statutes, provides authority for local governments, such as the City of Palm Coast, to take actions in emergency situations and to waive the procedures and formalities otherwise required of political subdivisions by law pertaining to: performing of public work and taking whatever action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community; entering into contracts; incurring obligations; employing of permanent and temporary workers; utilizing of volunteer workers; renting equipment; acquiring and distributing, with or without compensation, of supplies, materials and facilities; appropriating and expending of public funds; and direct and coordinate the development of emergency management plans and programs in accordance with the policies and plans set by the federal and state emergency management agencies, among other things.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, by the Mayor of the City of Palm Coast that


1. I, David Alfin, Mayor of the City of Palm Coast, do hereby find that the circumstances set forth above do indeed exist, and that Hurricane Milton poses a threat to the lives and property of the residents of the City of Palm Coast and that a state of local emergency is hereby declared, effective immediately, pertaining to all territory within the legal boundaries and jurisdictional limits of the City of Palm Coast.
2. The City Manager is hereby delegated the power and authority to take all actions necessary to address the emergency situations that may arise as a result of Hurricane Milton in accordance with the provisions of State law and any emergency management procedures that may have been adopted by the City, as well as by any State and Federal Disaster Assistance loan procedures.
3. This proclamation shall become effective immediately upon its execution and shall terminate automatically within 7 days unless otherwise terminated or extended.

Signed this 7th day of October 2024.

Attest:


Kaley Cook, City Clerk

CITY OF PALM COAST, FLORIDA


David Alfin, Mayor

