

City of North Port

ADMINISTRATIVE DECLARATION OF FOURTH EXTENSION OF THE STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 2024-29

WHEREAS, on August 1, 2024, pursuant to Florida Statutes Chapter 252, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order number 24-156, as amended on August 2, 2024 through Executive Order number 24-157, declaring a state of emergency in fifty-four counties, including Sarasota County; directing the Division of Emergency Management to execute the State's Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan; and authorizing each political subdivision within the State of Florida, pursuant to Florida Statutes Section 252.38(3)(a), to waive certain procedures and formalities otherwise required by law that are in the interest of the public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, Florida Statutes Section 252.38(3)(a) gives authority to public subdivisions to declare and enact a state of local emergency for a period of up to seven (7) days and to take certain measures that are in the interest of the public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2024, the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida declared a state of emergency due to the threat of Tropical Story Debby (now Hurricane Debby); and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 2024-29 conferred on the City Manager or designee the power and authority set forth in Florida Statutes Section 252.38(3)(a); and

WHEREAS, the City Manager issued an administrative declaration extending the state of local emergency on August 12, 2024, August 19, 2024 and August 26, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the impact of Hurricane Debby poses an immediate and present danger to the public health, safety, or welfare to the City of North Port, Florida, and its residents, thereby warranting the extension of this state of local emergency.

THEREFORE, IN HIS EMERGENCY AUTHORITY, THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA DECLARES:

- 1. The state of local emergency related to Hurricane Debby is extended as permitted by law and authorized by Ordinance No. 2024-29.
- 2. By this declaration, the City of North Port invokes the emergency management powers granted to it pursuant to Section 252.38, Florida Statutes, its adopted emergency management plan, and all related Executive Orders of the Governor of the State of Florida.

3. By this declaration, the City Manager invokes all powers and authority granted to him or his designee in Ordinance No. 2024-29.

This declaration is effective at 10:00 a.m. on September 2, 2024 and remains in effect until it expires by operation of law or until the emergency conditions no longer exist as determined by the City Manager.

DECLARED AND FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA ON AUGUST $\frac{30}{200}$, 2024 AT $\frac{1220}{200}$ A.M./P.M. BY

A. JEROME FLETCHER II, ICMA-CM, MPA

CITY MANAGER