

**A DECLARATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE
DECLARING A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY IN
THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE
(HURRICANE MILTON)**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 14, Article II, Section 14-21 of the City of Fort Pierce Code of Ordinances (hereinafter the “City Code”), the Mayor has the power to declare a local state of emergency within the City of Fort Pierce whenever the Mayor has determined that a natural or manmade disaster or emergency has occurred or that the occurrence or threat of one is imminent and requires immediate and expeditious action.

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Florida issued Executive Orders 24-214 and 24-215 dated October 5, 2024 and October 6, 2024, respectively, declaring a state of emergency that includes St. Lucie County in response to then Tropical Storm Milton, expected to impact Florida this week and required that timely precautions be taken to protect the communities, critical infrastructure, and general welfare of this State.

WHEREAS, as of October 7, 2024, the National Hurricane Center has categorized Hurricane Milton, currently in the Gulf of Mexico, as a Category 5 hurricane.

WHEREAS, Executive Orders 24-214 and 24-215, in accordance with Section 252.38, Florida Statutes, authorizes local governments to take whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community.

WHEREAS, safeguarding the lives and property of its citizens is a fundamental responsibility of the governing body of each political subdivision of the state.

WHEREAS, the presence of Hurricane Milton has placed the City of Fort Pierce in a state of emergency, exposing the citizens thereof to the severe threat of imminent violence and danger to life and property.

WHEREAS, this severe threat requires that emergency action be taken to prevent or

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alleviate the suffering of the citizens of the City of Fort Pierce and to protect and rehabilitate property.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida hereby proclaims and declares that:

1. A local state of emergency is declared in the City of Fort Pierce effective this 7th day of October 2024, at 5:00 p.m.

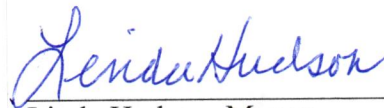
2. In order to respond to such emergency, upon this Declaration, the Acting City Manager is authorized to initiate and take such actions authorized by state and local law, including Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 14, Article II, Emergency Management, of the City Code during the term of the local state of emergency.

3. Pursuant to Section 14-22(b) of the City Code and Section 252.38, Florida Statutes, this Declaration shall remain in full force and effect for seven (7) days unless extended in seven (7) day increments as determined necessary by the Fort Pierce City Commission by duly enacted resolution in regular or special session or sooner rescinded by the Fort Pierce City Commission or the Governor.

4. This Declaration shall be filed promptly with the City Clerk and the Clerk of Court and shall otherwise be given prompt and general publicity.

DECLARED AND ORDERED this 7th day of October, 2024.

CITY OF FORT PIERCE:



Linda Hudson, Mayor

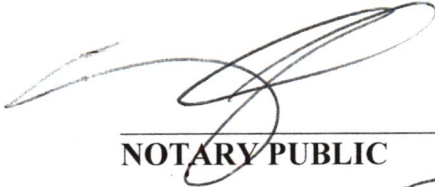
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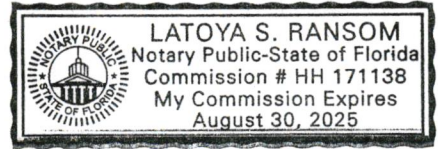
Linda W. Cox, City Clerk

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF ST LUCIE

I HEREBY CERTIFY, that on October 7, 2024, before me, an officer duly authorized in the State and County aforesaid to take acknowledgments, personally appeared Linda Hudson, Mayor of the City of Fort Pierce, known to me to be the Mayor of the City of Fort Pierce, a municipal corporation under the laws of the State of Florida. She is personally known to me, and did not take an oath.



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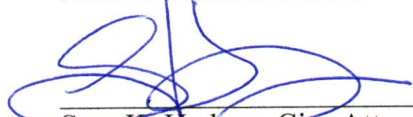


Print Name: Latoya Ransom

Commission No.: HH 171138

My Commission Expires: August 30, 2025

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND CORRECTNESS:



Sara K. Hedges, City Attorney

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PAYMENT SUMMARY

CITY OF FORT PIERCE
PO BOX 1480

FORT PIERCE, FL 34954

Escrow Balance: \$3,630.26

Date Received: 10/8/2024 9:04:30AM
Location: North County
Return Code: Mail
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Cashier: TREJOA

Total Fees: \$27.00
Total Payments: \$27.00
Balance Due: \$0.00

Cash Tendered:
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