

City of North Port

ADMINISTRATIVE DECLARATION OF FIFTEENTH EXTENSION OF THE LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 2022-30

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2022, Florida Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 22-218, declaring a state of emergency in Brevard, Broward, Charlotte, Collier, DeSoto, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Highlands, Hillsborough, Indian River, Lee, Manatee, Martin, Miami Dade, Monroe, Okeechobee, Osceola, Palm Beach, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Sarasota, and St. Lucie Counties; and

WHEREAS, on September 24, 2022, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 22-219, amending Executive Order Number 22-218 to declare a state of emergency in the entire State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, on November 21, 2022, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 22-268, renewing for sixty (60) days the state of emergency and all provisions of Executive Order Number 22-218, as amended by Executive Order Number 22-219; 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 September 25, 2022, the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida adopted Ordinance No. 2022-30, declaring a state of local emergency due to Hurricane Ian; authorizing the City Manager or designee the power and authority set forth in Florida Statutes Section 252.38(3)(a), and the authority to take any and all action deemed necessary during this state of emergency; waiving the standard procedures and formalities required by law pertaining to those matters identified in Florida Statutes Section 252.38(3)(a)5, including but not limited to the City Manager's procurement of goods and services requiring emergency action; and authorizing the City Manager or the City Manager's designee to extend this state of local emergency in seven-day increments; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager issued administrative declarations extending the state of local emergency on October 1, 2022, October 8, 2022, October 15, 2022, October 22, 2022, October 29, 2022, November 5, 2022, November 12, 2022, November 19, 2022, November 26, 2022, December 3, 2022, December 10, 2022, December 17, 2022, December 24, 2022, and December 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, on September 29, 2022, President Joe Biden declared that a major disaster exists in the State of Florida and ordered Federal aid to supplement recovery efforts in the areas affected by Hurricane Ian beginning on September 23, 2022, which makes federal funding available to local governments in Sarasota County; and

WHEREAS, the impact of Hurricane Ian 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 local state of emergency.

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

- 1. The local state of emergency related to Hurricane Ian is extended as permitted by law and authorized by Ordinance No. 2022-30.
- 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. 2022-30.

This declaration is effective at 2:10 P.M. on January 7, 2023 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 JANUARY 2023 AT (1-45/A.M./P.M. BY

A. JEROME FLETCHER II, ICMA-CM, MPA

CITY MANAGER