## STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

IN RE: SUSPENSION OF STATUTES AND RULES PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 24-214, RELATING TO TROPICAL STORM MILTON

DEM ORDER NO 24-013

## **EMERGENCY ORDER**

WHEREAS, on October 5, 2024, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order 24-214, as amended by Executive Order 24-215, regarding Tropical Storm Milton, declaring a state of emergency for Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Brevard, Broward, Charlotte, Citrus, Clay, Collier, Columbia, DeSoto, Dixie, Duval, Flagler, Gilchrist, Glades, Hamilton, Hardee, Hendry, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Indian River, Lafayette, Lake, Lee, Levy, Madison, Manatee, Marion, Martin, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Nassau, Okeechobee, Orange, Osceola, Palm Beach, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Putnam, Sarasota, Seminole, St. Johns, St. Lucie, Sumter, Suwanee, Taylor, Union, and Volusia counties; and

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Executive Order 24-214 designated the Executive Director of the Division of Emergency Management ("Division") as the State Coordinating Officer for the duration of this emergency and delegated to the State Coordinating Officer the authority to exercise those powers delineated in section 252.36(6)-(12), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2. F. of Executive Order 24-214 and section 252.36(1)(a) and (6)(a), Florida Statutes, Governor DeSantis authorized the State Coordinating Officer to suspend the effect of any statute, rule or order that would in any way prevent, hinder or delay any mitigation, response or recovery action necessary to respond to this emergency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 4. B. of Executive Order 24-214, each state agency may suspend the provisions of any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or the orders or rules of that agency, if strict compliance with the provisions of any such statute, order or rule would in any way prevent, hinder or delay necessary action in coping with the emergency; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KEVIN GUTHRIE, pursuant to Section 2 of Executive Order 24-214, as amended by Executive Order 24-215, sections 252.36(1)(a) and (6)(a), Florida Statutes, and any other relevant laws, find that strict compliance with section 30.073(1) and (2), Florida Statutes, as it relates to the appointment of a deputy sheriff in the State of Florida, would prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the emergency. I also find that strict compliance with section 23.1225(1)(d), Florida Statutes, specifically the phrase "as defined in s. 943.10(1)," as it relates to law enforcement agencies entering into mutual aid agreements with out of state law enforcement agencies would prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the emergency.

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me in Executive Order 24-214, as amended by Executive Order 24-215, section 252.36(1)(a) and (6)(a), Florida Statutes, and any other relevant laws, I hereby suspend the effect of the above-referenced statutes only to the extent that such statutes prevent, hinder, or delay the entry of mutual aid agreements or the deputization and mobilization of out of state deputy sheriffs or other qualified and sworn law enforcement officers from out of state, deployed within the state of Florida in response to this emergency. This Order authorizes the waiver of such requirements only for the counties listed in Section 1 of Executive Order 24-214, as

amended by Executive Order 24-215, to take necessary action in coping with the emergency.

This Order is effective immediately and shall expire on the same date that Executive Order 24-214 expires, to include any extensions thereto.

By Order of the State Coordinating Officer executed this 9th day of October, 2024, in Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida.

Kevin Guthrie

State Coordinating Officer

Florida Division of Emergency Management

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Filed on this date, with the designated Division Clerk, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged.

Division Clerk

Date: October 9, 2024