

**RESOLUTION
NUMBER 2024-64**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA, RATIFYING THE DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY ISSUED BY PROCLAMATION OF THE CHAIR; EXTENSIONS OF THE DECLARATION AND ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS - ALL ISSUED IN RESPONSE TO HURRICANE HELENE; AUTHORIZING CONTINUED COUNTY RESPONSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; PROVIDING FOR FILING WITH THE CLERK AND POSTING IN ACCORDANCE WITH FLORIDA STATUTES.

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2024, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 24-208 declaring a state of emergency for several Florida counties, including Levy County, related to the anticipated effects of Potential Tropical Cyclone Nine, which became Hurricane Helene (the “Storm”), and on September 24, 2024, the Governor issued Executive Order Number 24-209 amending Executive Order 24-208 (collectively, the “Governor’s Orders”);

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority granted in Chapter 30 of the Code of Ordinances of Levy County, Florida, on Monday, September 23, 2024, the Chair of the Board of County Commissioners issued Emergency Declaration Number 2024-64 declaring a Local State of Emergency in Levy County due to the Storm and authorizing the County Manager and designee(s) to take all necessary emergency action (the “Emergency Declaration”); on Sunday, September 29, 2024, the County Manager issued a First Extension extending the Emergency Declaration until 8am on Monday, October 7; and on Sunday, October 6, 2024, the County Manager issued a Second Extension extending the Emergency Declaration until 8am on Monday, October 14 (collectively, the “Declaration and Extensions”); and

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, September 24, 2024 the Chair issued Administrative Order #1 ordering mandatory evacuation in certain circumstances/areas and the opening of public shelters; on Wednesday, September 25, 2024, the County Manager issued Administrative Order #2 expanding the area of mandatory evacuation; on Friday, September 27, 2024, the County Manager issued a Partial Termination of Administrative Orders #1 and #2; and on Saturday, September 28, 2024 the County Manager issued a Termination of Administrative Orders #1 and #2 (collectively, the “Administrative Orders”).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA:

Section 1. That the Declaration and Extensions and Administrative Orders that were previously issued (attached to this Resolution) are hereby ratified, and that continued County response to the Storm is authorized until such time as the Declaration of Local State of Emergency has expired or is terminated by appropriate action of the Board, Chair, Vice Chair and/or County Manager.

Section 2. This Resolution shall become effective upon adoption. In accordance with Section 252.46, Florida Statutes, this Resolution shall be filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court and Ex Officio Clerk to the Board within 3 days after its issuance, and shall be posted on the County's Emergency Management website <https://levydisaster.com>.

DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED ON October 8, 2024.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF LEVY COUNTY, FLORIDA**

Desiree Mills, Chair

ATTEST:
Clerk of the Circuit Court
and Ex Officio Clerk to the Board
of County Commissioners

Danny J. Shipp, Clerk

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency

Nicolle M. Shalley, County Attorney