

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Madeira Beach has experienced severe weather in the past in the form of extreme rainfall or tropical system events resulting in flooding throughout the City of Madeira Beach, and this flooding has caused damage and flood losses to homes and buildings in all areas, whether they are high-risk special flood hazard areas or low to moderate risk flood zones; and

WHEREAS, the City of Madeira Beach is a voluntary participant in the National Flood Insurance Program that provides residents with the opportunity to protect themselves against flood loss through the purchase of flood insurance at reduced insurance premium rates, as well as setting higher regulatory standards to reduce the flood risk and potential flood damage to their property; and

WHEREAS, the reduction of loss of life and property damage can be achieved when appropriate flood preparedness, control, and mitigation measures are taken before a flood; and

WHEREAS, public education and awareness of potential weather hazards and methods of protection are critical to the health, safety, and welfare of residents, the Florida Floodplain Managers Association (FFMA) declared the week of March 9 - 15, 2026, as **Flood Awareness Week** to promote awareness and increase knowledge of flood risk, the availability of flood insurance, flood protection methods, and how to prepare for emergencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Anne-Marie Brooks, Mayor of the City of Madeira Beach, Florida, in coordination with **FEMA and Pinellas County**, do hereby proclaim **MARCH 9 - 15, 2026, as FLOOD AWARENESS WEEK in the City of Madeira Beach**, and encourage the citizens of the City of Madeira Beach to increase their knowledge of how to protect themselves and their property from flooding.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Madeira Beach, Florida, to be affixed on this 4th day of March 2026.



Anne-Marie Brooks, Mayor