

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-24

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE STATEWIDE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT (SMAA) WITH THE STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the State of Florida Emergency Management Act, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, authorizes the State and its political subdivisions to provide and coordinate emergency aid, assistance, personnel, equipment, and resources during disasters and emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida Division of Emergency Management administers the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement (“SMAA”) - 2023 to facilitate interjurisdictional mutual aid assistance, operational coordination, reimbursement procedures, and liability protections among participating governmental entities throughout the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Pahokee finds that participation in the SMAA - 2023 is necessary and in the best interests of the City to ensure continuity of governmental operations, protect public health, safety, and welfare, and provide supplemental emergency assistance during disasters and other catastrophic events.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Adoption of Representations. The foregoing “Whereas” clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true, and the same are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.

Section 2. Approval and Authorization. The City Commission hereby approves and adopts participation in the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement (SMAA) - 2023 administered by the State of Florida Division of Emergency Management. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute any necessary documents and take all actions required to implement and participate in the SMAA, including requesting or providing mutual aid coordination, as needed, during emergencies.

Section 3. Conflict. All resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby and expressly repealed.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED and **ADOPTED** this 26 day of May 2026.

Keith W. Babb, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Nylene Clarke, CMC, City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:**

Burnadette Norris-Weeks, P.A.
City Attorney

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

VOTE:

Mayor Babb	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Vice Mayor McDonald	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Commissioner Cowan-Williams	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Commissioner McPherson	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Commissioner Scott	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)

EXHIBIT "A"

STATEWIDE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT - 2023

(ATTACHED)