Item: 5A
Date: 10/8/24

## **RESOLUTION 24-R80**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE, FLORIDA, TO DECLARE A STATE OF EMERGENCY IN THE CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE; AUTHORIZING THE DECLARATION OF A CURFEW; AUTHORIZING THE EXERCISE OF EMERGENCY POWERS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 98 of the City of Port St. Lucie Code of Ordinances, the City Manager has authority to declare a state of emergency; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Milton is at a category level of sufficient strength to warrant preparedness against substantial injury, harm and damage to persons and property; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of Florida has declared a State of Emergency pursuant to Executive Order 24-214, as amended; and

WHEREAS, during the state of emergency it is necessary to preserve peace and order within the City; and WHEREAS, it is therefore necessary to declare a state of emergency, and may be necessary to close City Hall and any other City Government building, impose a curfew, and restrict the sale or possession of alcoholic beverages during this period of emergency.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE, FLORIDA:

Section 1. The City Council approves and ratifies the action of the City Manager's declaration of a state of emergency to begin at 5:00am on the 9<sup>th</sup> of October 2024.

Section 2. The City Council approves, as determined necessary by the City Manager, the imposition of a curfew within the City of Port St. Lucie pursuant to Section 98.08 of the City of Port St. Lucie Code of Ordinances, the restriction of the sale or possession of alcoholic beverages pursuant to Section 98.06 of the City of Port St. Lucie Code of Ordinances, and the closure of City Hall or any other City Government building within the jurisdiction and control of the City.

<u>Section 3</u>. The City Manager and/or his designees are hereby authorized and directed to take all appropriate action to secure and protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Port St. Lucie during the period of this declared emergency.

Section 4. This Resolution shall become effective on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of October 2024, at 5:00 am.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida, this 8th day of October 2024.

ATTEST:

Sally/Walsh, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

TY COUNCIL

Shannon M. Martin, Mayor

Richard Berrios, City Attorney

MARGARET CARLAND FOR

## A DECLARATION OF THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE, FLORIDA, DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY (HURRICANE MILTON)

WHEREAS, the City Manager has made the following determinations:

- 1. Chapter 98, City of Port St. Lucie Code of Ordinances, authorizes the City Manager to exercise certain emergency powers and authority during a local emergency.
  - 2. The National Hurricane Center has identified Hurricane Milton as a serious hurricane.
- 3. The Governor has declared that a State of Emergency exists in St. Lucie County pursuant to Executive Order 24-214, as amended.
- 4. The presence of Hurricane Milton has placed the City of Port St. Lucie in a state of emergency, exposing the citizens thereof to danger of life and property.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Chapter 98, City of Port St. Lucie Code of Ordinances, the City Manager hereby declares as follows:

- A. A state of emergency is hereby declared for the City of Port St. Lucie.
- B. Such declaration shall remain in full force and effect for seven (7) days unless extended in seventy-two (72) hour increments with the concurrence of the City Council or sooner rescinded by the City Council or the City Manager.
- C. In consideration of the declaration of a state of emergency, and pursuant to Section 98.06 of the City of Port St. Lucie Code of Ordinances, the City Manager may, at his discretion, restrict the sale of alcoholic beverages within all or a portion of the jurisdictional boundaries of the City.
- D. In consideration of the declaration of a state of emergency, the City Manager may impose a curfew pursuant to Section 98.08 of the City of Port St. Lucie Code of Ordinances.
- E. In consideration of the declaration of a state of emergency, the City Manager may close City Hall and any other City Government building within the jurisdiction and control of the City.
- F. The St. Lucie County landfill is closed during the emergency and residents are directed not to place trimming vegetation, bulky items, garbage, or recycling out for collection during the state of emergency.

This declaration shall become effective on the 9th day of October 2024, at 5:00am.

esus Merejo, City Manager

City of Port St. Lucie