



## **TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA DECLARATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY**

**WHEREAS**, on June 12, 2024, a flash flood emergency (the “Flood”) was declared by the National Weather Service for the South Florida region and portions of Miami-Dade County, including the Town of Surfside (“Town”); and

**WHEREAS**, on June 12, 2024, Miami-Dade County declared a State of Local Emergency effective immediately due to the Flood and expected additional rainfall of “between five and seven inches” over the next several days; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 2-262 (a) of Town Code, an “Emergency” includes a natural occurrence, like the Flood, resulting in “substantial injury or harm to the population or substantial damage to or loss of property”; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town has suffered and continues to suffer from the impact of the Flood, including but not limited to its population, especially elderly residents, who may require extraordinary and immediate actions in order to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, the Flood has and continues to damage Town property, private property and personal property of residents and others within the Town.

**NOW THEREFORE, AS TOWN MAYOR, I, CHARLES W. BURKETT, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME UNDER ARTICLE VIII, CHAPTER 2 OF THE TOWN CODE, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 252.38(2), FLORIDA STATUTES, HEREBY DECLARE AS FOLLOWS:**

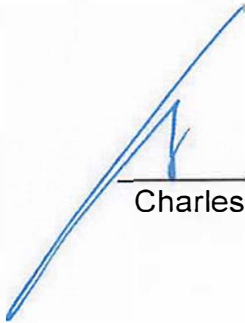
**1. I HEREBY DECLARE A STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE AND GRANT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT POWERS AUTHORIZED BY LAW, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THOSE SET FORTH PURSUANT TO SECTION 252.38(3), TO PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE OF THE TOWN AND ITS RESIDENTS.**

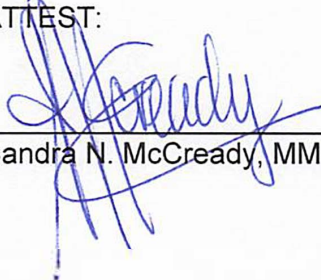
2. THIS STATE OF EMERGENCY SHALL CONTINUE IN EFFECT FROM DAY TO DAY UNTIL TERMINATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2-263 OF TOWN CODE AND/OR SECTION 252.38(4), FLORIDA STATUTES.

3. I HEREBY DIRECT ALL TOWN PERSONNEL TO TAKE WHATEVER STEPS NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE OF THE TOWN, ITS RESIDENTS, VISTORS AND THE PUBLIC.

4. THIS DECLARATION SHALL SERVE TO IMPLEMENT THE TOWN'S EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN AND PROCEDURES AND AUTHORIZES THE TOWN MANAGER AND/OR HER DESIGNEES TO FOLLOW THE PROCEDURES AND TAKE ALL ACTION NECESSARY OR PRUDENT ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH TOWN CODE AND APPLICABLE FLORIDA LAW.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Town of Surfside, Florida to be affixed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2024 at 8:15 p.m. local time.

  
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Charles W. Burkett, Mayor

ATTEST:  
  
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Sandra N. McCready, MMC, Town Clerk