

**CITY OF LAUDERHILL  
DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY  
(SOE 24-02 Hurricane Milton)**

WHEREAS, on Saturday, October 5, 2024, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 24-214 activating the Florida Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan, invoking and administering the Emergency Management Assistance Compact ("EMAC"), and declaring that a State of Emergency exists for 35 Florida counties as designated in the Order as to Tropical Storm Milton, specifically including Broward County; and

WHEREAS, on Sunday, October 6, 2024, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 24-215 amending Executive Order Number 24-214 to expand the Executive Order to now apply to 51 counties within the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, Tropical Storm Milton has rapidly intensified into a Category 5 hurricane as of Monday, October 7, 2024 and has continued to fluctuate between a Category 5 and Category 4 level storm, it is expected to be a major hurricane upon landfall along the Florida West Coast, accompanied by life-threatening storm surge and severe wind gusts for the Florida Gulf Coast and will be a widespread threat for Florida; and

WHEREAS, the National Hurricane Center predicts Hurricane Milton will approach Florida's Peninsula and the Keys at or near major hurricane strength and could affect Florida as early as Wednesday; and

WHEREAS, there is a risk of heavy rainfall, flash flooding, strong winds, storm surge, hazardous seas, and the potential for isolated tornadic activity for much of Florida's Peninsula and the Keys; and

WHEREAS, on Monday, October 7, 2024, effective at 3:18 P.M, Broward County declared Broward County to be under a Local State of Emergency; and

WHEREAS, Florida Statutes, Chapter 252, allows the City of Lauderhill to declare a local state of emergency and to exercise extraordinary powers by emergency directives; and

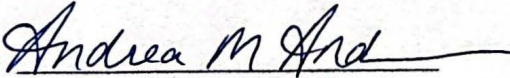
WHEREAS, the City Manager of the City of Lauderhill may, by a written statement, declare an emergency in the City of Lauderhill in accordance with Section 8-1/2 of the City of Lauderhill Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, all relevant sections of Chapter 8-1/2 as well as the remainder of the City of Lauderdale Code of Ordinances and any and all other applicable State, County, and City, rules and regulations shall become effective immediately;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Desorae Giles-Smith, the City Manager of the City of Lauderdale, effective at 12:00pm on Wednesday, October 9, 2024, do hereby declare a STATE OF EMERGENCY exists in the City of Lauderdale with regard to Hurricane Milton, which Declaration will continue to remain in effect for seven (7) days from that date unless extended. This Declaration is in addition to, and does not amend or otherwise modify, any other existing Declaration of Local State of Emergency.

  
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Desorae Giles-Smith  
City Manager

Attest:

  
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Andrea M. Anderson  
City Clerk

Signed and Sealed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2024 at the City of Lauderdale, Broward County, Florida, with a copy to be kept on file in the City Clerk's Office.