

CHARLOTTE COUNTY EMERGENCY ORDER NO. 2024- 180

AN ORDER RESCINDING CHARLOTTE COUNTY EMERGENCY ORDER NOS. 2024-173, 2024-174 AND 2024-176 AND LIFTING ALL PROHIBITIONS ON THE SALE OF ALCOHOL AND ALL CURFEWS IMPOSED UNDER THE DECLARED STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR HURRICANE MILTON

WHEREAS, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order (EO) No. 24-214 on October 5, 2024, declaring a state of emergency for 35 counties in the Florida Peninsula due to the threat of Hurricane (a/k/a Tropical Storm) Milton; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Charlotte County, Florida issued a Resolution declaring a state of local emergency, dated October 6, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution, in accordance with Chapter 252, Florida Statutes and Chapter 2-1 of the Charlotte County Code of Ordinances, authorizes the County to take all necessary action and issue any necessary orders to protect human life and property; and

WHEREAS, these Executive Orders, in accordance with Section 252.38, Florida Statutes, authorize political subdivisions to take whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community; and

WHEREAS, all such orders when filed with the Clerk of Court have the force of law, and all existing laws, ordinances, and rules which are in conflict are suspended to the extent of such conflict pursuant to Section 252.46(2), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, a violation of a duly promulgated order is a second-degree misdemeanor punishable in accordance with Section 252.50, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Milton caused catastrophic damage to the County's infrastructure, significant debris impeded roadways, and flooding affected certain geographic areas in unincorporated Charlotte County; and

WHEREAS, the County issued County Emergency Order No. 2024-173 on October 9, 2024, County Emergency Order No. 2024-174 on October 11, 2024, and County Emergency Order No. 2024-176 on October 13, 2024, as amended, corrected or re-recorded, which imposed prohibitions on the sale of alcohol and curfews within unincorporated Charlotte County; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the health and welfare of Charlotte County residents and visitors to rescind County Emergency Order Nos. 2024-173, 2024-174 and 2024-176 to lift the prohibition on the sale of alcohol and curfew.

ROGER D. EATON, CHARLOTTE COUNTY CLERK OF

CIRCUIT COURT

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NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered:

Section 1. County Emergency Order Nos. 2024-173, 2024-174 and 2024-176, as amended, corrected or re-recorded, are hereby rescinded. All prohibitions on the sale of alcohol and curfews are hereby lifted.

Section 2. This Emergency Order will take effect upon filing with the Clerk of Courts of Charlotte County in accordance with Section 252.46(2), Florida Statutes.

Section 3. Pursuant to Section 252.46(3), Florida Statutes, this Order as well as all local state emergency orders shall be available on a dedicated worldwide page accessible through a conspicuous link on the County's website homepage.

ORDERED in Charlotte County, Florida, this 16th day of October.

2024

Administrator (or his designee)

Patrick Fuller,

Emergency Management Director

Jánette S. Knowlton, County Attorney

APPROVED AS TO FORM

AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

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ATTEST:

Roger D. Eaton, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Ex-officio Clerk of the **Board of County Commissioners**