

**HARDEE COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-09**

**HARDEE CLERK TO BOARD
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A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HARDEE COUNTY, FLORIDA RATIFYING AND APPROVING ADDITIONAL EXTENSIONS OF RESOLUTION NO. 2022-35 DECLARING A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY; WAIVING PROCEDURES AND FORMALITIES DURING THE PERIOD OF SUCH EMERGENCY; AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE HARDEE COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR AND COUNTY MANAGER TO TAKE WHATEVER PRUDENT ACTIONS MAY BE NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE OF THE COMMUNITY PURSUANT TO THIS DECLARATION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on September 26, 2022, the Hardee County (the "County") Board of County Commissioners (the "BOCC") adopted Resolution No. 2022-33 declaring a state of local emergency (the "LSE"); and

WHEREAS, the initial LSE was set to expire on October 3, 2022, and has been extended in accordance with the following;

- adoption of resolution No. 2022-34 until October 10, 2022;
- adoption of Resolution No. 2022-35 until October 17, 2022;
- adoption of Resolution No. 2023-03 until October 24, 2022;
- adoption of Resolution No. 2023-04 until October 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Chairman extended the LSE on November 7, 2022, until November 14, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the BOCC finds that ratification of the extension of the LSE on November 7, 2022, until November 14, 2022, was necessary to continue providing assistance to those affected by this disaster; and

WHEREAS, as the result of a continued need for disaster relief, the BOCC finds that emergency disaster assistance is still necessary for the health, safety and welfare of Hardee County, and extends the LSE until November 21, 2022, and further authorizes the Chairman to extend the LSE for additional seven (7) day periods, as necessary and to be ratified at the next regularly scheduled BOCC meeting.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Hardee County, Florida as follows:

SECTION I. A State of Local Emergency is hereby declared and extended for all of Hardee County, for a period of seven (7) days, ending November 14, 2022, or until terminated by the Hardee County Emergency Management Director, whichever is earlier.

SECTION II. Upon a determination by the County Manager and Hardee County Emergency Management Director that the LSE is required to be extended in order to continue providing emergency disaster assistance to the residents of Hardee County, the Chairman is authorized to extend the LSE for additional seven (7) day periods to be ratified at the next regularly scheduled BOCC meetings.

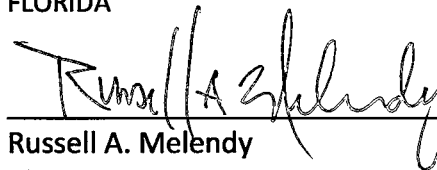
SECTION III. Procedures and formalities otherwise required by law pertaining to actions enumerated by items one through eight contained in Resolution No. 2022-33 are hereby waived for the duration of this declaration.

SECTION IV. The Hardee County Emergency Management Director and County Manager are hereby authorized and directed to take whatever prudent actions may be necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the community pursuant to this declaration.

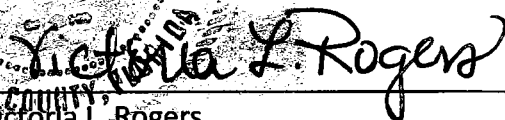
SECTION V. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of November, 2022 at a special meeting of The Board of County Commissioners of Hardee County, Florida.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HARDEE COUNTY,
FLORIDA



Russell A. Melendy
Chairman



Victoria L. Rogers

Ex-Officio Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners
Board Approved: 11/14/2022
Date: 11/15/2022

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



WEISS SEROTA HELEMAN COLE + BIERMAN P.L.
COUNTY ATTORNEY

