

**TOWN OF HOWEY-IN-THE-HILLS
EMERGENCY ORDER 2024-002**

AN EMERGENCY ORDER OF THE TOWN OF HOWEY-IN-THE-HILLS, EXTENDING THE DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY IN RESPONSE TO HURRICANE MILTON; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Florida has issued Executive Order Number 24-214 and 24-215 declaring that a State of Emergency exists in Lake County and 50 other counties in the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, Lake County has issued Lake County Emergency Order 2024-003 declaring a State of Local Emergency for Lake County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Milton poses a severe threat to the Town of Howey-in-the-Hills and requires that timely precautions are taken to protect the citizens and visitors of the Town of Howey-in-the-Hills, critical infrastructure and general welfare of the Town; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, provides authority for a political subdivision such as the Town of Howey-in-the-Hills to declare a State of Local Emergency and to waive the procedures and formalities otherwise required of political subdivisions by law including, but not limited to:

1. Performance of public work and taking whatever action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community;
2. Entering into contracts;
3. Incurring obligations;
4. Employment of permanent and temporary workers;
5. Utilization of volunteer workers;
6. Rental of equipment;
7. Acquisition and distribution, with or without compensation, of supplies, materials and facilities;
8. Appropriation and expenditure of public funds; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Howey-in-the-Hills, pursuant to its home rule powers has adopted certain emergency procedures;

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida and the powers assigned to the Town Manager by the Charter of the Town of Howey-in-the-Hills, Florida, it is ORDERED:

SECTION 1. Extended Emergency Declaration. An extension to the Local State of Emergency is hereby declared pursuant to Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, for all areas within the legal boundaries of the Town of Howey-in-the-Hills. Said State of Local Emergency may be terminated by the Town Manager of the Town of Howey-in-the-Hills, in writing, or by Resolution of City Council.

SECTION 2, This Emergency Order is an emergency measure necessary for the protection of the public health, welfare and safety, due to the proximity of Hurricane Nicole.

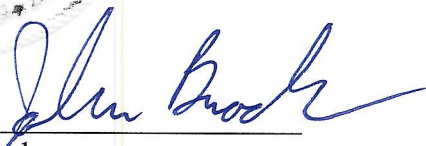
SECTION 3. Effective Date

This Emergency Order shall take effect upon signature and shall be in effect until October 28, 2024 or until canceled or extended as required by law.

ORDERED this 7th day of October, 2024.

By: 
Sean O'Keefe
Town Manager



Attest: 
John Brock
Deputy Town Manager/Town Clerk