

**STATE OF FLORIDA
DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

IN RE: SUSPENSION OF STATUTES DEM ORDER NO. 23-007
AND RULES PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE
ORDERS 22-218 AND 22-219,
MADE NECESSARY BY HURRICANE IAN

EMERGENCY ORDER

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2022, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 22-218 regarding the tropical cyclone that became Hurricane Ian and declared a state of emergency for several counties in Florida's Peninsula and the Florida Keys; and

WHEREAS, on September 24, 2022, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 22-219 which amended Executive Order 22-218 by declaring a state of emergency for the entire State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Executive Order 22-218 designated the Director of the Division of Emergency Management as the State Coordinating Officer for the duration of this emergency and delegated to the State Coordinating Officer the authority to exercise those powers delineated in section 252.36(6)-(12), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2. F. of Executive Order 22-218 and section 252.36(1)(a) and 5(a), Florida Statutes, Governor DeSantis authorized the State Coordinating Officer to suspend the effect of any statute, rule, or order that would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay any mitigation, response, or recovery action necessary to cope to this emergency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 4. B. of Executive Order 22-218, each state agency may suspend the provisions of any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or the orders or rules of that agency, if strict compliance with the

provisions of any such statute, order, or rule would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the emergency; and

WHEREAS, strict compliance with the provisions of section 713.135(1)(d), Florida Statutes, as it relates to mandatory verification and corroboration by the issuing authority of the name and address of an owner, the name of the contractor, and the location or address of the property being improved, as reflected on the notice of commencement with that listed in the building permit application, would subject the issuing authority to inordinate delay in taking action to facilitate the mitigation, response, and recovery necessary to respond to this emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KEVIN GUTHRIE, pursuant to Section 2 of Executive Order 22-218 and section 252.36(1)(a) and (6)(a), Florida Statutes, find that strict compliance with the following statute would prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the emergency:

Section 713.135(1)(d), Florida Statutes, as it relates to the mandatory verification and corroboration by the issuing authority of property improvement details with the details listed in building permit applications.

Accordingly, for the duration of Executive Order 22-218, including any extensions thereof, and pursuant to the authority delegated to me thereby, I hereby suspend the effect of the above-referenced statute for all building permit applications received for property damaged by Hurricane Ian on or after the issuance of Executive Order 22-218, for the limited purpose of responding to and coping with this emergency.

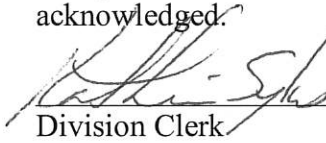
This Order is effective immediately and shall expire on the same date that Executive Order 22-218 expires.

By Order of the State Coordinating Officer executed this 28th day of April, 2023,
in Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida.



Kevin Guthrie
State Coordinating Officer
Florida Division of Emergency Management
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Filed on this date, with
the designated Division Clerk,
receipt of which is hereby
acknowledged.



Division Clerk

Date: 4/28/2023