STATE OF FLORIDA
DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

IN RE: SUSPENSION OF STATUTES

AND RULES PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE

ORDER NUMBER 23-208, RELATED TO

IMPACTS OF WAR IN ISRAEL

DEM ORDER NO. 23-010

EMERGENCY ORDER

WHEREAS, on October 12, 2023, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order

23-208 regarding the Hamas terrorist attacks in Israel and declared a state of emergency for

the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Executive Order 23-208 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. E. of Executive Order 23-208, the State

Coordinating Officer possesses the authority to designate Deputy State Coordinating

Officers and Deputy State Disaster Recovery Coordinators, as necessary; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2. F. of Executive Order 23-208 and section

252.36(1)(a) and (6)(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

respond to this emergency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 4. B. of Executive Order 23-208, 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

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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 section 274.05, Florida Statutes, as it relates to the disposition of surplus property owned by governmental units, would impede the Division's response to this emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, KEVIN GUTHRIE, pursuant to Section 4 of Executive Order 23-208 and section 252.36(1)(a) and (6)(a), Florida Statutes, find that the Division's strict compliance with the following statute would prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action by the Division in coping with the emergency:

1) Section 274.05, Florida Statutes.

Accordingly, for the duration of Executive Order 23-208, including any extensions thereof, and pursuant to the authority delegated to me thereby, I hereby suspend the effect of the above-referenced statute only as it pertains to the Division and only for the limited purpose of facilitating the Division's response to this emergency.

This Order is effective immediately and shall expire on the same date that Executive Order 23-208 expires, to include any extensions thereto.

By Order of the State Coordinating Officer executed this 18th day of October 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: 12/18/2023