

**Before the Board of County Commissioners
Martin County, Florida**

A Proclamation

Declaring Hurricane Preparedness Week in Martin County, Florida

Whereas the 2024 Hurricane Season begins on June 1, and as a coastal county, Martin County is extremely vulnerable to storm surge, tornadoes, flooding, and high winds resulting in severe property damage, and to the potential for loss of life from the effects of a hurricane; and

Whereas whether hurricane forecasters have predicted an average, above-average or below-average season, it takes only one storm to have a bad year; and

Whereas Hurricanes Nicole 2022, Dorian in 2019, Irma in 2017, Matthew in 2016, Frances in 2004, and Jeanne in 2004 directly impacted Martin County and our residents; and

Whereas population increases and the transiency of Florida residents and visitors have resulted in a percentage of the public not being fully aware of the dangers of hurricanes; and

Whereas the Martin County Board of County Commissioners is dedicated to mitigating the effects of hurricanes and tropical storms by informing the public of preparedness actions.

Now, therefore, be it proclaimed by the Martin County Board of County Commissioners that **May 5 -May 11, 2024, is Hurricane Preparedness Week in Martin County, Florida.** Further, the board urges the cooperation of municipalities, businesses, homeowners and condominium associations, hotel associations, and all media in their efforts to inform residents and visitors of appropriate awareness, preparedness and safety measures related to Hurricane Season.

Presented this Thirtieth Day of April 2024

ATTEST:

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