

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

**A Proclamation**

**Declaring Hurricane Preparedness Week in Martin County, Florida**

**Whereas,** the 2026 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 Milton in 2024, Nicole in 2022, Dorian in 2019, Irma in 2017, Matthew in 2016, and Frances 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 3-9, 2026 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 Fifth Day of May 2026**

ATTEST:

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