



**VOLUNTARY EVACUATION ORDER TO REDUCE VULNERABILITY
TO DAMAGE, INJURY, AND LOSS OF LIFE OR PROPERTY
RESULTING FROM AN IMMINENT THREAT**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County has been informed by its emergency management staff of the imminent threat posed by Hurricane Isaias; and

WHEREAS, on July 30, 2020, a State of Local Emergency was declared due to the imminent threat imposed by Hurricane Isaias; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Isaias has the capacity to pose a significant, imminent, and dangerous threat to the health, safety, and welfare of the inhabitants of Palm Beach County, Florida, visitors and tourists in Palm Beach County, Florida, as well as their real and personal property; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Palm Beach County Code Section 9-35, the County Administrator or designee is empowered, authorized, and directed to exercise, on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners, such emergency powers necessary to carry out the provisions of Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, including, but not limited to, the powers to direct and compel evacuation of all or part of the population from stricken or threatened areas within Palm Beach County, if such action is deemed necessary to reduce the vulnerability of people in communities of Palm Beach County to damage, injury, and loss of life and property resulting from the imminent threat, as well as any other powers expressly or implicitly conferred pursuant to Chapters 125 and 252, Florida Statutes, and any other provision of law or county ordinance.

WHEREAS, the Attorney General of Florida in Op. Atty. Gen. Fla. 95-24 has confirmed the power of counties to order evacuation of county citizens when threatened with a disaster.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, Op. Atty Gen. 95-24, Executive Order No. 80-29 and Palm Beach County Code Article II, Section 9-35, I hereby find and declare:

1. The above recitals are true and are incorporated herein by reference.
2. I am the County Administrator of Palm Beach County, Florida.
3. I am duly authorized to carry out the emergency management functions delegated by the Board of County Commissioners to the County Administrator or designee.
4. The following areas of Palm Beach County are threatened by Hurricane Isaias and are hereby designated the “affected area:”

Evacuation Zone A

Evacuation Zone B

Evacuation Zone C

Evacuation Zone D

Evacuation Zone E

Other Any areas or properties with manufactured/mobile homes, homes with substandard construction, or homes in flood-prone areas.

5. In order to reduce the vulnerability of the population in the affected area to damage, injury and loss of life or property resulting from the imminent threat, and in order to prepare and allow for prompt and efficient restoration of order, assessment and response to damage and injuries to persons and property, I order and direct a voluntary evacuation for the affected area.
6. In order to reduce the vulnerability of the population in the affected area to damage, injury and loss of life or property resulting from the imminent threat, I encourage and recommend that all individuals living in the affected area and in manufactured homes, homes of substandard construction, and homes located in areas that are prone to severe flooding, seek shelter in alternate locations including, but not limited to, safer homes of family members, friends and co-workers, hotels or county-operated risk shelters.

7. The Palm Beach County Sheriff and his deputies and assigns are authorized and empowered to enforce and implement this order.
8. This order shall take effect at 12:45 pm on August 1, 2020, and will remain in effect until the State of Local Emergency is lifted, or until further order.

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR OF
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA**

**APPROVED AS TO TERMS AND
CONDITIONS**

By: 
Verdenia Baker, County Administrator

By: 
Stephanie Sejnoha, Director Public
Safety

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY**

ATTEST:

SHARON R. BOCK
CLERK & COMPTROLLER

By: **DENISE MARIE NIEMAN**
County Attorney

By: _____
Deputy Clerk