



RON DeSANTIS
GOVERNOR

HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS WEEK

WHEREAS, each first full week of May is recognized by the National Hurricane Center as 'National Hurricane Preparedness Week' and is dedicated to sharing information and encouraging individuals to prepare for the upcoming Atlantic Hurricane Season; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida is a national leader in the field of emergency management and remains committed to ensuring Floridians are able to prepare for, recover from and mitigate against all disasters impacting the state; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Division of Emergency Management responds to disasters year-round, including hurricanes, tropical storms, flooding, wildfires and man-made hazards, and remains committed to meeting the needs of Floridians during times of a disaster; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 Atlantic Hurricane Season begins on June 1 and runs through November 30, with September marking the historical peak of the season; and

WHEREAS, during the 2023 and 2024 hurricane seasons, the Florida Division of Emergency Management led unprecedented response efforts across multiple areas of the state to hurricanes Debby, Helene and Milton, and continues to support recovery efforts in impacted communities; and

WHEREAS, all Floridians and visitors are encouraged to create an individualized disaster preparedness plan and stock a disaster supply kit with at least seven days of supplies for each individual and pet residing in the household; and

WHEREAS, all Floridians and visitors are encouraged to identify nearby flood-prone areas and evacuation zones to better understand orders from local officials during a disaster and develop a comprehensive evacuation plan; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Division of Emergency Management encourages Floridians and visitors to keep their gas tanks at least half-full and electric vehicles at least 50% charged throughout hurricane season to ease evacuation traffic and ensure residents can evacuate tens of miles – not hundreds of miles – needed to reach a safer location.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ron DeSantis, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend support and encouragement to all observing May 4 – May 10, 2025, as *Hurricane Preparedness Week*.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 30th day of April, in the year two thousand twenty-five.


Governor