STATE OF FLORIDA
DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

IN RE: SUSPENSION OF STATUTES AND RULES PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 22-17 MADE NECESSARY BY THE TORNADOES IN CHARLOTTE AND LEE COUNTIES

DEM ORDER NO. 22-001

EMERGENCY ORDER

WHEREAS, on January 21, 2022, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 22-17 regarding the tornadoes in Charlotte and Lee counties and declared a state of emergency for the limited purpose of receiving assistance for the impacted areas and residences; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order 22-17 designated the Director of the Division of Emergency Management as the State Coordinating Officer for the duration of this emergency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 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 cope with this emergency; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of sections 287.055(3)(a)-(c), (4)(a)-(d), 5(a)-(c), (7), and 287.057, Florida Statutes, and Rules 60A-1.002(4), 60A-1.021(2), and 60A-1.043(1)-(3), Florida Administrative Code, which pertain to the procurement of personal property and services, would subject the Division of Emergency Management to undue delay in taking action to facilitate the mitigation, response, and recovery necessary to cope with this emergency.
NOW, THEREFORE, I, KEVIN GUTHRIE, pursuant to Section 2 of Executive Order 22-17, find that the requirements applicable to the Division of Emergency Management pursuant to:

- Sections 287.055(3)(a)-(e), 4(a)-(d), 5(a)-(c), (7) and 287.057, Florida Statutes, and Rules 60A-1.002(4), 60A-1.021(2), and 60A-1.043(1)-(3), Florida Administrative Code;

are likely to prevent, hinder, or delay the Division of Emergency Management’s ability to take actions needed to effectively facilitate the mitigation, response, and recovery necessary to cope with this emergency.

 Accordingly, I hereby suspend the requirements of the above-referenced statutes and rules for the duration of Executive Order 22-17 and any extensions thereof.
By Order of the State Coordinating Officer executed this 19th day of February, 2022, 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: 2/19/22