

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-17

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF BELLEAIR, FLORIDA, FORMALIZING THE MAYORAL DECLARATION OF THE STATE OF EMERGENCY DUE TO THE POTENTIAL THREAT FROM HURRICANE DORIAN; PROVIDING SUNSET DATE.

WHEREAS, Mayor Gary H. Katica, in his vigilance to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the community, declared a state of emergency for the Town of Belleair effective **August 29, 2019**;

WHEREAS, the Commission desires to formally adopt by resolution said Mayoral Declaration, which provided for the following during the state of emergency:

MAYORAL DECLARATION

WHEREAS, Hurricane Dorian poses a serious potential threat to the residents and property of Belleair; and

WHEREAS, Belleair has evacuation times in order to evacuate residents from the hazards of a hurricane; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Dorian has the potential for causing extensive damage to utilities, public buildings, public communications systems, public streets and roadways, public drainage systems, commercial and residential buildings and areas; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Florida had promulgated Executive Order No. 19-190, wherein he found that a State of Emergency exists within the state of Florida; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 252.38(3)(a)5, Florida Statutes, provided authority for a political subdivision such as Belleair to declare a State of Local Emergency and to waive the procedures and formalities otherwise required of political subdivisions by law pertaining to:

1. Performance of public work and taking whatever action is necessary to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the community;
2. Entering into contracts;
3. Incurring obligations;
4. Employment of permanent and temporary workers;
5. Utilization of volunteer workers;
6. Rental of equipment;

7. Acquisition and distribution, with or without compensation of supplies, materials and facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DECLARED BY THE MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF BELLEAIR, FLORIDA, that Hurricane Dorian poses a serious threat to the lives and property of residents of Belleair and that a State of Local Emergency is hereby declared, effective immediately, for all territory within the legal boundaries of Belleair shall be embraced by the provisions of this resolution.

IT IS FURTHER DECLARED that the town will adopt any mandatory evacuations put into force by Pinellas County; that all provisions of the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan relating to this type of event shall be implemented.

IT IS FURTHER DECLARED that the Town Manager, or designee, is empowered to take whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community.

BE IT FURTHER DECLARED that the Mayor of the Town of Belleair hereby exercises his authority and waives the procedures and formalities required by law of a political subdivision, as provided in Chapter 252.38(3)(a)5, Florida Statute, and Section 2.11 of the Town of Belleair Charter.

Declared by Mayor Gary H. Katica August 29, 2019

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF BELLEAIR, FLORIDA, that Hurricane Dorian posed a serious threat to the lives and property of residents of Belleair and that the Mayoral Declaration of a State of Local Emergency is hereby formally adopted by the provisions of this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the provisions of the local state of emergency will sunset on **September 5, 2019 at 4:30 pm**.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF BELLEAIR, FLORIDA, this 3rd day of SEPTEMBER, A.D., 2019.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Town Clerk