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## **PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, Section 45-17-1, *et seq.*, of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, authorizes the Mayor of a municipality to proclaim the existence of a civil emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, is authorized to declare a State of Emergency and to promulgate such rules, regulations, and orders as he deems necessary to protect life and property; and

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service has issued advisories on Tropical Storm Francine, which is presently located in the western Gulf of Mexico offshore of northeastern Mexico; and

WHEREAS, Tropical Storm Francine is presently predicted to become a hurricane this afternoon or tonight; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Francine is forecast to make landfall along the Gulf Coast on Wednesday afternoon or evening and proceed through central Mississippi as early as Thursday morning; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Francine is likely to impact much of the State of Mississippi, including Jackson, carrying the risk of excessive rainfall, flash flooding, high and gusty winds of up to 60 miles per hour, spin-up tornadoes, and power outages; and

WHEREAS, this storm system has high potential to cause damage to homes, businesses, public property, and to threaten the safety of the citizens and property of the City of Jackson, Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of the health, safety, and welfare of the City's residents and the protection of their property within the affected areas, and in the public interest, all efforts should be taken to protect people and property.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Chokwe A. Lumumba, Mayor of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, pursuant to the authority vested in me under Section 45-17-1, *et seq.*, of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, and in the public interest and for the general welfare of the City of Jackson, do hereby proclaim a **STATE OF EMERGENCY** for the City of Jackson, and said emergency shall be reviewed every seven (7) days until such local emergency is no longer in effect and proclaimed terminated by the Mayor of the City of Jackson, State of Mississippi.

IT IS ORDERED that the Emergency Operations Center of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, place into effect the City of Jackson's Emergency Management Operations Plan.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all agencies and departments of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, shall render all possible assistance and discharge their emergency responsibilities and provide full cooperation with this Proclamation.

WITNESS MY HAND, on this 10th day of September, 2024, at 2:20 PM.

CHOKWE A. LUMUMBA, MAYOR CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

ATTEST:

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