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Mayor

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EMERGENCY ORDER # 5 OF 2021

DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY

The undersigned, as Mayor of the Village of Westhampton Beach, pursuant to the authority by Article 2-B, Section 24 of the Executive Law of the State of New York, has the authority to declare a state of emergency in the event of imminent danger to residents of the Village; and

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service and National Hurricane Center have issued a Hurricane warning for the Village of Westhampton Beach, Southampton Town, and much of the rest of Long Island, as Tropical Storm Henri approaches; and

WHEREAS, Tropical Storm Henri is currently moving north and is expected to increase in strength to a Category 1 Hurricane by this evening, August 21, 2021, before reaching the south fork of the Long Island; and

WHEREAS, this storm is expected to bring severe and dangerous wind gusts, heavy rain, 8-15 foot waves on the ocean beaches, and flood waters of 3-5 feet above ground level, with flooding likely having the greatest impacts on low lying areas of the Village; and

WHEREAS, on August 21, 2021, New York State Governor Andrew Cuomo declared a State of Emergency for Long Island, and on August 21, 2021, Suffolk County Executive Steven Bellone declared a State of Emergency for the County of Suffolk: and

WHEREAS, the Village of Westhampton Beach is taking appropriate actions to minimize the threat to the public health, safety, and welfare of its employees, residents and guests; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor, in consultation with the Village Police Chief, Superintendent of Public Works and Building and Zoning Administrator, hereby finds that public safety is imperiled and an imminent danger exits; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to the powers vested in me by the Executive Law of the State of New York, I hereby direct the following, effective through **August 25, 2021 at 11:59 p.m.**:

IT IS ORDERED that the following Emergency Order be hereby adopted and implemented:

• The Village of Westhampton Beach Mayor, in consultation with the Village Police Chief, Superintendent of Public Works and Building and Zoning Administrator, is authorized to take whatever actions are necessary to protect life and property, and public infrastructure, and to perform other such emergency assistance as deemed necessary.

- Residents in low lying areas of the Village are encouraged to voluntarily relocate to safer locations.
- Because these conditions imperil the safety of the citizens of the Village of Westhampton Beach, it is imperative that the roads are cleared for emergency vehicles in all areas of the Village, with all vehicles moved off the road so that first responders and emergency vehicles may pass.
- Village personnel shall coordinate and utilize other municipal agencies as necessary, including volunteer fire departments and ambulance services, to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public.

This Emergency Order will continue in full force and effect through August 25, 2021, at 11:59 p.m., unless otherwise amended, modified, or rescinded, or upon the declaration of the Mayor that the emergency no longer exists, whichever occurs sooner.

This Order shall be issued in triplicate and shall be filed within 72 hours, or as soon thereafter as practical, in the Office of the Suffolk County Clerk, the Westhampton Beach Village Clerk and the Office of the Secretary of State, and a copy of this Order shall be published in the Southampton Press.

Dated:

August 21, 2021

Time:

3:00 p.m.

Mayor Village of Westhampton Beach