

EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION NO. 2019-2

**A PROCLAMATION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY IN CERTAIN COASTAL AREAS.**

**WHEREAS**, areas of St. Johns County have recently experienced a coastal storm, as referenced in Rule 62B-33.0051(5), Florida Administrative Code, which is causing and has caused erosion of the Atlantic Ocean beach and dune system in St. Johns County, Florida, on or about March 26-27, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of the coastal storm, one or more structures or facilities located on the entire Atlantic Beach Coastline in St. Johns County, have become vulnerable to damage or collapse from ongoing ocean wave action or from a subsequent frequent coastal storm; and

**WHEREAS**, County staff, including a the County building official, licensed in the State of Florida, have inspected the area in question, and have consulted with other agencies, including, but not limited to, the State of Florida, Department of Environmental Protection; and found that a coastal storm erosion emergency exists in St. Johns County as referenced in said Rule 62B-33.0051(5), Florida Administrative Code; and

**WHEREAS**, time being critical for the opportunity to address the emergency, an expedited declaration is reasonably necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the unavailability of a quorum of the Board of County Commissioners, the Chair of the Board of County Commissioners is authorized to issue this proclamation pursuant to St. Johns County Ordinance 1994-25, as amended.

**NOW THEREFORE**, pursuant to the authority conferred by Chapter 161, Florida Statutes, and St. Johns County Ordinance 1994-25, as amended, after consultation with state and local authorities that severe beach erosion on or about March 26-27, 2019, in the vicinity of 3560 Coastal Highway, St. Augustine, Florida, has caused an immediate threat of substantial property damage including but, not limited to, loss of one or more habitable structures, a localized emergency event is declared by the Board of County Commissioners, by and through its County Administrator, or designee, as provided by Section 161.085, Florida Statutes, and Rule 62B-33.0051, Florida Administrative Code.

**THIS PROCLAMATION** authorizes the affected property owner(s) of eligible structures, in the vicinity described above as reasonably determined by the County Engineer using recognized professional standards, to proceed to protect the affected properties in compliance with Rule 62B-33.0051, et. seq., Florida Administrative Code, and Section 161.085, Florida Statutes, and conditions of permit for emergency protection issued by St. Johns County Engineering Division. Emergency measures shall be in compliance with all rules and permitting requirements as defined by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Bureau of Beaches and Costal Systems permitting.

**HEREBY PROCLAIMED** this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: Paul M. Waldron  
Paul M. Waldron, Chair

Attest: Hunter S. Conrad, Clerk

Sam Halterman  
Deputy Clerk

