

**RESOLUTION NO. R-04-24**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF PALM BEACH SHORES, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF PALM BEACH SHORES TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FOR MUTUAL AID IN THE EVENT OF A DISASTER OR EMERGENCY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, the State of Florida Emergency Management Act, Chapter 252, *Florida Statutes* (the "Act"), authorizes the State and its political subdivisions, including municipalities, to provide emergency aid and assistance in the event of a disaster or emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, the Act also authorize the State to coordinate the provision of any equipment, services, or facilities owned or organized by the State or its political subdivisions, including municipalities, for use in the affected area upon the request of the duly constituted authority of the area; and

**WHEREAS**, this Resolution authorizes the Mayor of Palm Beach Shores to execute a mutual aid agreement with the State in for any future request, provision, and / or receipt of interjurisdictional mutual assistance in accordance with the Act, among and between the Town and other participating political subdivisions, including municipalities, within the State; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Commission of the Town of Palm Beach Shores has determined that participating in said mutual aid agreement will serve the interests and promote the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Palm Beach Shores.


**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF PALM BEACH SHORES, FLORIDA, THAT:**

**Section 1:** The Town Commission of the Town of Palm Beach Shores, a municipal corporation, hereby approves the Mutual Aid Agreement, attached hereto as Exhibit "A," and authorizes its Mayor to execute same.

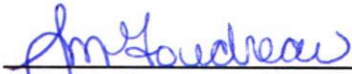
**Section 2:** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption; however, the effective date of the Agreement shall be the date upon which it is executed by the parties thereto.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this **22nd** day of January 2024.

**TOWN OF PALM BEACH SHORES**

  
Alan Fiers, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Jude M. Goudreau, Town Clerk





# STATE OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



Ron DeSantis, Governor

Kevin Guthrie, Executive Director

## **STATEWIDE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT - 2023**

This Agreement is an acknowledgment of receipt by the Florida Division of Emergency Management (“the Division”) and the local government (“Participating Party”) signing this Agreement. Execution of this agreement replaces all previous iterations and is active until a new agreement is drafted and requested by The Division.

This Agreement is based on the existence of the following conditions:

- A. The State of Florida is vulnerable to a wide range of emergencies and disasters that are likely to cause the disruption of essential services and the destruction of the infrastructure needed to deliver those services.
- B. Such emergencies and disasters often exceed the emergency response and recovery capabilities of any one county or local government.
- C. Such incidents may also give rise to unusual and unanticipated physical and technical needs which a local government cannot meet with existing resources, but that other local governments within the State of Florida may be able to provide.
- D. The Emergency Management Act, chapter 252, *Florida Statutes*, provides each local government of the state the authority to develop and enter into mutual aid agreements within the state for reciprocal emergency aid in case of emergencies too extensive to be dealt with unassisted, and through such agreements ensure the timely reimbursement of costs incurred by the local governments which render such assistance.
- E. Pursuant to chapter 252.32, *Florida Statutes*, the Division renders mutual aid among the political subdivisions of the state to carry out emergency management functions and responsibilities.
- F. Pursuant to chapter 252, *Florida Statutes*, the Division has the authority to coordinate and direct emergency management assistance between local governments and concentrate available resources where needed.

Based on the existence of the foregoing conditions, the Parties agree to the following articles:

### **ARTICLE I: DEFINITIONS**

As used in this Agreement, the following expressions shall have the following meanings:

- A. The “Agreement” is this Agreement, which shall be referred to as the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement (“SMAA”).