



**MARTIN COUNTY
DECLARATION OF STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY**

PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 51.4.A OF ORDINANCE NUMBER 558 OF THE CODE OF LAWS AND ORDINANCES OF MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY TO EXERCISE CERTAIN EMERGENCY POWERS AND AUTHORITY DURING A LOCAL EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS the Emergency Management Director has determined that a State of Local Emergency exists within Martin County; and

WHEREAS toxic blue green algae persists and continues to spread throughout the entirety of our waterways in the County, including our coastal ocean and beaches; and

WHEREAS the toxic blue green algae poses a danger to health, life, property and the economic well-being of Martin County residents; and


WHEREAS Chapter 252.38 (3), Florida Statutes provides authority for the County to declare a State of Local Emergency and to waive the procedures and formalities otherwise required by law pertaining to:

1. Performance of public works 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;
8. Appropriation and expenditure of public funds.

I, Debra McCaughey, Emergency Management Director do hereby exercise my authority and declare a State of Local Emergency for the next seven day period, unless sooner rescinded, and waive the procedures and formalities as provided in Chapter 252.38 (3), Florida Statutes and Chapter 51.4.A of County Ordinance No. 558, at 8:00 am this 29th day of June, 2016.


Debra McCaughey

Emergency Management Director
Martin County Board of County Commissioners


Taryn Kryzda
County Administrator
Martin County Board of
County Commissioners