

St. Tammany Parish Government EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER

Executive Order

Emergency Operations Center Contact: 985-898-2359

EXECUTIVE ORDER DECLARING PARISH-WIDE STATE OF EMERGENCY AS PER THE LOUISIANA HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE AND DISASTER ACT, LA. REV. STAT. 29:721, *ET SEQ.*, AS TO THE IMMINENT DANGER AND EFFECTS OF INVEST 92L.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act, La. Rev. Stat. 29:721, et seq., confers upon the Governor of the State of Louisiana emergency powers to prepare and cope with emergencies and disasters, including those caused by fire, flood, earthquake or other natural or manmade causes, in order to ensure that preparations will be adequate to cope with such emergencies or disasters and to preserve the lives and property of the people of the State of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, when the Governor determines that a disaster or emergency has occurred, or the threat thereof is imminent, La. Rev. Stat. 29:724(B)(1) empowers him to declare a state of emergency by executive order or proclamation; and

WHEREAS, Invest 92L, a low pressure system currently over the northeastern Gulf of Mexico, is expected to become a hurricane before making landfall, and Governor John Bel Edwards has issued Proclamation No. 111 JBE 2019 declaring a state of emergency as to the impending onset of Invest 92L; and

WHEREAS, Invest 92L will likely produce storm surge and tropical-storm-force or hurricane-force winds across Louisiana and has the potential to produce up to 15 inches of rain for most of the southern portion of Louisiana, all of which could particularly impact St. Tammany Parish, causing coastal flooding and damage due to high winds and rainfall; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the imminent threat of emergency conditions from Invest 92L, Patricia P. Brister, as Parish President of St. Tammany Parish, heretofore invokes all rights and duties afforded her under La. Rev. Stat. 29:721, *et seq.* including, in particular, La. Rev. Stat. 29:727(D), and all other applicable statutes and regulations, until further notice; and

WHEREAS, St. Tammany Parish Government, through Patricia P. Brister, as Parish President, is empowered to take all necessary measures to ensure the continued safety, health and welfare of the citizens of St. Tammany Parish, as per law; and,

WHEREAS, the effect of the emergency upon all of St. Tammany Parish's people and property requires action by St. Tammany Parish Government to offset any damages caused by Invest 92L; and

WHEREAS, the Parish President has initiated action, with the assistance of Parish Council members, to combat the effects of Invest 92L; and

WHEREAS, continued action by the St. Tammany Parish Government is mandatory to fulfill the needs of the people of this Parish until such time as the state of emergency of this Parish has subsided.

IT IS ORDERED that pursuant the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act, La. Rev. Stat. 29:721, et seq., specifically La. Rev. Stat. 29:727(D), a Parish-wide state of emergency is declared as a result of Invest 92L which has created emergency conditions that threaten the safety of the citizens of this Parish; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Patricia P. Brister, as Parish President, maintains the authority to assume total control of the Parish including, but not limited to, all private and public properties and utilities necessary to ensure the safety, health and welfare of the citizens and property of this Parish and to issue all necessary orders; and



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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Office of the Parish President invokes all rights and remedies afforded it under all the laws and constitutions of the United States and State of Louisiana; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Office of the Parish President invokes all rights and remedies afforded it under Louisiana Revised Statutes; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Office of the Parish President invokes all rights and remedies afforded it under the St. Tammany Parish Code of Ordinances; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any person or entity who interrupts or interferes with the control of the Parish and/or Parish President shall be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the state of emergency shall be effective from July 11th, 2019 until terminated as per law.

At Mandeville, Louisiana, this 11 day of 3 ul 2019 at 8:48 cm/p.m.

Patricia P. Brister

Parish President NOTICE POSTED AT:

St. Tammany Parish web-page: www.stpgov.org

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Sworn and subscribed before me,