

STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 26-211

(Emergency Management – Amending Executive Order 26-202 – Tropical Storm Isaias)

WHEREAS, on October 6, 2026, I issued Executive Order 26-202, declaring a state of emergency for Baker, Bay, Calhoun, Columbia, Dixie, Escambia, Franklin, Gadsden, Gilchrist, Gulf, Hamilton, Holmes, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Suwannee, Taylor, Walton, Wakulla, and Washington Counties due to the dangers presented by Tropical Depression Nine; and

WHEREAS, on October 7, 2026, Tropical Depression Nine strengthened into Tropical Storm Isaias, and is forecast to undergo significant intensification over the next forty-eight hours as it moves northeastward over the central Gulf of America; and

WHEREAS, the forecast indicates that Isaias will be at or near Category 3 Hurricane intensity upon landfall along the Florida Panhandle, accompanied by life-threatening storm surge, tornadic activity, heavy rain, and severe wind gusts for the Florida Panhandle; and

WHEREAS, the threat posed by Tropical Storm Isaias requires that timely precautions must be taken to protect the communities, critical infrastructure, and general welfare of the people of Florida; and

WHEREAS, as Governor of Florida, I am responsible to meet the dangers presented to the State of Florida and its people by this emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS, as Governor of Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Article IV, Section 1(a) of the Florida Constitution and by the Florida

Emergency Management Act, as amended, and all other applicable laws, promulgate the following Executive Order, to take immediate effect:

Section 1. Section 1 of Executive Order 26-202 is amended to read as follows:

Because of the foregoing conditions, which are projected to constitute a major disaster, I declare that a state of emergency exists in Baker, Bay, Calhoun, Citrus, Columbia, Dixie, Escambia, Franklin, Gadsden, Gilchrist, Gulf, Hamilton, Holmes, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Leon, Levy, Liberty, Madison, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Suwannee, Taylor, Walton, Wakulla, and Washington Counties.

Section 2. Except as amended herein, Executive Order 26-202 is ratified and reaffirmed.

Section 3. This Executive Order is effective immediately and shall expire upon the expiration of Executive Order 26-202, including any extensions thereto.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, this 7th day of October, 2026.


RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:


SECRETARY OF STATE

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