



**EMERGENCY ORDER NO. 2022-09**

**ORDER RELATING TO THE TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF TIME LIMITATIONS FOR  
LIVING OR CAMPING IN VEHICLES PARKED ON RESIDENTIAL LOTS**

**WHEREAS**, on September 23, 2022, Florida Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 22-218, declaring a state of emergency in Brevard, Broward, Charlotte, Collier, DeSoto, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Highlands, Hillsborough, Indian River, Lee, Manatee, Martin, Miami Dade, Monroe, Okeechobee, Osceola, Palm Beach, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Sarasota, and St. Lucie Counties; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 24, 2022, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 22-219, amending Executive Order Number 22-218 to declare a state of emergency in the entire State of Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, Florida Statutes Section 252.38(3)(a) gives authority to public subdivisions to declare and enact a state of local emergency for a period of up to seven (7) days and to take certain measures that are in the interest of the public health, safety, and welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 25, 2022, the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida adopted Ordinance No. 2022-30, declaring a state of local emergency due to Hurricane Ian; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 2022-30 conferred on the City Manager or designee the power and authority set forth in Florida Statutes Section 252.38(3)(a); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Florida Statutes Section 252.46, the City Manager has the power to issue emergency orders with the force of the law; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 59-16(h) of the Code of the City of North Port, Florida provides that no vehicle or boat parked on a residential lot may be occupied, used as living quarters or for camping, or otherwise inhabited overnight for a period in excess of thirty (30) consecutive days; and

**WHEREAS**, the impact of Hurricane Ian has caused damage throughout the City and displaced many City residents from their primary residences; and

**WHEREAS**, allowing a temporary suspension of the time limit for occupying, camping, or living in vehicles parked on residential lots allows displaced residents the ability to stay on their property while their home undergoes repair; and

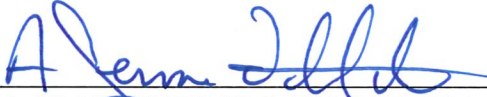
**WHEREAS**, this order is necessary for emergency management purposes and to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community.

**THEREFORE, IN HIS EMERGENCY AUTHORITY, THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA ORDERS:**

1. The thirty (30) day limitation on occupying, camping, or living in vehicles parked on residential lots is temporarily suspended on any residential property impacted by Hurricane Ian that the City's Building Official has deemed substantially damaged.
2. All persons occupying, camping, or living in a vehicle parked on a residential lot must comply with all other applicable laws, including but not limited to environmental regulations and regulations requiring the proper removal of waste. This order does not suspend or waive any regulations related to the removal of waste or illegal dumping.
3. This order does not suspend or waive any other regulations related to occupying, camping, or living in vehicles parked on residential lots.
4. This order does not suspend or waive any regulations related to occupying, camping, or living in boats parked on residential lots.
5. This order does not suspend or waive any other regulations related to camping, including Sections 46-147 through 46-149 of the Code of the City of North Port, Florida.
6. To the extent this order conflicts with any provision of the Code of the City of North Port, Florida, this order controls.

**This order is effective immediately. Unless otherwise terminated, this order expires simultaneously with the expiration of the state of local emergency.**

ORDERED ON AND FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA ON OCTOBER 14<sup>th</sup> 2022  
AT 3:00 A.M./P.M. BY

  
A. JEROME FLETCHER II, ICMA-CM, MPA  
CITY MANAGER