WHEREAS, National Hurricane Preparedness Week is May 4th through May 10th, 2025; and

WHEREAS, hurricanes continue to pose a serious threat to the residents and businesses of the City of North Port Florida with heavy winds, storm surge, torrential rains, inland flooding, and tornadoes; and

WHEREAS, Sarasota County was impacted by three tropical cyclones in 2024: Debby, Helene, and Milton, and is continuing to recover from Hurricane Ian; and

WHEREAS, it is important that all residents and businesses of the City of North Port, Florida be aware of the dangers hurricanes present and remain vigilant to lessen the loss of life and minimize property damage; and

WHEREAS, people should maintain seven-day emergency supply kits, have a battery powered radio, know their evacuation levels, routes, and locations for official evacuation centers, and comply with local authorities when asked to evacuate; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Division of Emergency Management and National Hurricane Center are urging all citizens to prepare for hurricanes and to educate themselves on hurricane preparedness and safety strategies.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, do hereby proclaim May 4th through May 10th, 2025 as

"Hurricane Preparedness Week"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and Seal of the City of North Port, Florida, to be affixed this 1st day of May 2025.

Pete Emrich, Vice-Mayor

David Duval, Commissioner

ATTEST

Heather Faust, City Clerk