STATE OF FLORIDA  
DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION  

EMERGENCY ORDER 2022-01  

WHEREAS, Hurricane Ian is a major Hurricane approaching the State of Florida and has the potential and likelihood to cause impacts possibly covering the entire peninsula and portions of North Florida;  

WHEREAS, Hurricane Ian poses a significant threat to the entire State of Florida and, as such, requires that timely precautions are taken to protect the communities, critical infrastructure, and general welfare of this State;  

WHEREAS, the Governor, in recognition of and in response to this emergency, issued Executive Order 2022-218 on September 23, 2022, as amended by Executive Order 2022-219 on September 24, 2022, pursuant to the authority vested in him by Article IV, Section 1(a) of the Florida Constitution, the Emergency Management Act, as amended, and all other applicable laws; and  

WHEREAS, the Governor, in Executive Order 2022-218 and 2022-219, authorized each State agency to suspend the provisions of any regulatory statute or orders or rules of that agency, if strict compliance with that statute would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with this emergency; and  

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MELANIE S. GRIFFIN, Secretary of Florida's Department of Business and Professional Regulation, pursuant to the authority granted by Executive Order 2022-218, as amended by Executive Order 2022-219, find that timely execution of the mitigation, response, and recovery aspects of the State's emergency management plan, as it relates to Hurricane Ian, is negatively impacted by the application of certain regulatory statutes related to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation. Therefore, I order the following:  

1. All final orders reflecting final agency action are suspended and tolled until October 31, 2022, unless extended by subsequent order.  

DBPR Emergency Order 2022-01
2. All time requirements, notice requirements and deadlines for filing responses as outlined in DBPR orders, are suspended and tolled until October 31, 2022, unless extended by subsequent order.

3. The existing license renewal deadline of September 30, 2022, as established by section 475.182, Florida Statutes, and Rule 61-6.001(4), Florida Administrative Code, is suspended and tolled through October 31, 2022, unless extended by subsequent order, for the following Real Estate licenses: Sales Associates, Broker Sales Associates, Brokers, Corporate Brokers, Partnerships, and Corporations and Branch Offices. Any existing renewal conditions related to the completion of hours of continuing education, as set forth in Rule 61J2-3.009(2)(b), Florida Administrative Code, are also suspended and tolled through October 31, 2022. Licenses renewed on or before October 31, 2022 shall be considered as timely renewals and will not be assessed any late fees.

4. The existing license renewal deadline of September 30, 2022, as established by Rule 61-20.002(1)(b), Florida Administrative Code, is suspended and tolled through October 31, 2022, unless extended by subsequent order, for Community Association Managers. Any existing renewal conditions related to the completion of hours of continuing education, as set forth in Rule 61E14-4.001, Florida Administrative Code, are also suspended and tolled through October 31, 2022. Licenses renewed on or before October 31, 2022 shall be considered as timely renewals and will not be assessed any late fees.

5. The existing license renewal deadline of September 30, 2022, as established by Rule 61A-3.0101(1)(a), Florida Administrative Code, is suspended and tolled through October 31, 2022, unless extended by subsequent order, for the following Alcoholic Beverage licenses: Retail Vendors and Distributors. Licenses renewed on or before October 31, 2022 shall be considered as timely renewals and will not be assessed any late fees.
6. The existing license renewal deadline of September 30, 2022, as established by Rule 61A-3.0101(1)(c), Florida Administrative Code, is suspended and tolled through October 31, 2022, unless extended by subsequent order, for the following Alcoholic Beverage licenses: Manufacturers, Importers, Brokers, Sales Agents, and Passenger Common Carriers. Licenses renewed on or before October 31, 2022 shall be considered as timely renewals and will not be assessed any late fees.

7. The existing license renewal deadline of September 30, 2022, as established by Rule 61N-1.015(10), Florida Administrative Code, is suspended and tolled and through October 31, 2022, unless extended by subsequent order, for the all Drugs, Devices, and Cosmetics licenses excepting Prescription Drug Wholesalers, Prescription Drug Wholesaler – Broker Only, and Out-of-State Prescription Drug Wholesalers. Licenses renewed on or before October 31, 2022 shall be considered as timely renewals and will not be assessed any late fees.

8. The existing license renewal deadline of September 30, 2022, as established by Rule 61N1-1.015(11), Florida Administrative Code, is suspended and tolled and through October 31, 2022, unless extended by subsequent order, for the following Drugs, Devices, and Cosmetics licenses: Prescription Drug Wholesalers, Prescription Drug Wholesaler – Broker Only, and Out-of-State Prescription Drug Wholesalers. Licenses renewed on or before October 31, 2022 shall be considered as timely renewals and will not be assessed any late fees.

9. The existing license renewal deadline of October 1, 2022, as established by Rule 61C-1.002(6), Florida Administrative Code, is suspended and tolled through October 31, 2022, unless extended by subsequent order, for the following Hotels and Restaurants licenses: Public Lodging Establishments, Vacation Rentals, Timeshare Projects, and
Public Food Service Establishments. Licenses renewed on or before October 31, 2022 shall be considered as timely renewals and will not be assessed any late fees.

10. All time requirements and deadlines for the filing of monthly reports and returns as required by sections 210.02, 210.09, 210.55, 561.50, or 561.55, Florida Statutes, are suspended and tolled through October 31, 2022, unless extended by subsequent order.

Executed this 28th day of September, 2022, in Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida.

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Melanie S. Griffin, Secretary
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Filed on this date, with
The designated Agency Clerk,
Receipt of which is hereby acknowledged.

Agency Clerk’s Office

Date: 9/28/22