

**STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION**

In Re: Joan Iacono

Case No.: FEC 24-400

TO: Joan Iacono
1132 Bird Bay Way
Venice, FL 34285

Kelly Michaels, City Clerk
City of Venice
401 West Venice Avenue
Venice, FL 34285

NOTICE OF HEARING (AUTOMATIC FINE (AF))

A hearing will be held in this case before the Florida Elections Commission on **December 3, 2025, at 9:30 am, or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard**, via Webinar at: **Registration URL** <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8443550463090426453>. **Webinar ID** 144-463-043
Audio Only 1 877 309 2074 -- 786-784-735.

Failure to appear in accordance with this notice will constitute a waiver of your right to participate in the hearing. Continuances will be granted only upon a showing of good cause.

This hearing will be conducted pursuant to Section 106.25, Florida Statutes, which governs your participation as follows:

If you are the Respondent, you may attend the hearing, and you or your attorney will have *5 minutes* to present your case to the Commission. However, some cases (including those in which consent orders or recommendations for no probable cause are being considered) may be decided by an *en masse* vote and, unless you request to be heard or the Commission requests that your case be considered separately on the day of the hearing, your case will *not* be individually heard.

If you are the Complainant, you may attend the hearing, but you will *not* be permitted to address the Commission. In addition, some cases (including those in which consent orders or recommendations for no probable cause are being considered) may be decided by an *en masse* vote and, unless the Respondent requests to be heard or the Commission requests that the case be considered separately on the day of the hearing, the case will *not* be individually heard.

If you are an Appellant, and you have requested a hearing, you may attend the hearing, and you or your attorney will have *5 minutes* to present your case to the Commission.

Please be advised that both confidential and public cases are scheduled to be heard by the Florida Elections Commission on this date. As an Appellant, Respondent or Complainant in one case, you will *not* be permitted to attend the hearings on other confidential cases.

The Commission will electronically record the meeting. Although the Commission's recording is considered the official record of the hearing, the Respondent may provide, at his own expense, a certified court reporter to also record the hearing.

If you require an accommodation due to a disability, contact Donna Ann Malphurs at (850) 922-4539 or by mail at 107 West Gaines Street, The Collins Building, Suite 224, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, at least 5 days before the hearing.

See further instructions on the reverse side.

Tim Vaccaro

Executive Director
Florida Elections Commission
November 7, 2025

Please refer to the information below for further instructions related to your particular hearing:

If this is a hearing to consider **an appeal from an automatic fine**, the Filing Officer has imposed a fine on you for your failure to file a campaign treasurer's report on the designated due date and, by filing an appeal, you have asked the Commission to consider either (1) that the report was in fact timely filed; or (2) that there were unusual circumstances that excused the failure to file the report timely. You are required to prove your case. If the Commission finds that the report was filed timely or that there were unusual circumstances that excused the failure, it may waive the fine, in whole or in part. The Commission may reduce a fine after considering the factors in Section 106.265, Florida Statutes. If the Commission finds that the report was not timely filed and there were no unusual circumstances, the fine will be upheld.

If this is a hearing to consider a **consent order before a determination of probable cause has been made**, the Commission will decide whether to accept or reject the consent order. If the Commission accepts the consent order, the case will be closed and become public. If the Commission rejects the consent order or does not make a decision to accept or deny the consent order, the case will remain confidential, unless confidentiality has been waived.

If this is a hearing to consider a **consent order after a determination of probable cause has been made**, the Commission will decide whether to accept or reject the consent order. If the Commission accepts the consent order, the case will be closed. If the Commission rejects the consent order or does not make a decision to accept or deny the consent order, the Respondent will be entitled to another hearing to determine if the Respondent committed the violation(s) alleged.

If this is a **probable cause hearing**, the Commission will decide if there is probable cause to believe that the Respondent committed a violation of Florida's election laws. Respondent should be prepared to explain how the staff in its recommendation incorrectly applied the law to the facts of the case. *Respondent may not testify, call others to testify, or introduce any documentary or other evidence at the probable cause hearing.* The Commission will only decide whether Respondent should be *charged* with a violation and, before the Commission determines whether a violation has occurred or a fine should be imposed, Respondent will have an opportunity for another hearing at which evidence may be introduced.

If this is an **informal hearing**, it will be conducted pursuant Sections 120.569 and 120.57(2), Florida Statutes; Chapter 28 and Commission Rule 2B-1.004, Florida Administrative Code. At the hearing, the Commission will decide whether the Respondent committed the violation(s) charged in the Order of Probable Cause. The Respondent will be permitted to testify. However, the Respondent may not call witnesses to testify.

Respondent may argue why the established facts in the Staff Recommendation do not support the violations charged in the Order of Probable Cause. At Respondent's request, the Commission may determine whether Respondent's actions in the case were willful. The Respondent may also address the appropriateness of the recommended fine. If Respondent claims that his limited resources make him unable to pay the statutory fine, *he must provide the Commission with written proof of his financial resources* at the hearing. A financial affidavit form is available from the Commission Clerk.

FLORIDA ELECTIONS COMMISSION
CASE REPORT
Case Number: FEC-24-400

NAME: **JOAN IACONO**

DATE APPEAL RECEIVED: 10/31/2024

DATE REPORT DUE: 10/11/2024 (2024 G4)

DATE OF HAND DELIVERED RECEIPT: 10/14/2024

DATE FILING OFFICER RECEIVED REPORT: 10/14/2024

NUMBER OF DAYS LATE: 3

AMOUNT OF FINE: \$150.00

FINE BASED ON: (X) NUMBER OF DAYS (..) 25% OF RECEIPTS (..) 25% OF EXPENDITURES

TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR REPORTING PERIOD: \$3,685.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR REPORTING PERIOD: \$1,275.76

DATE OF FIRST NOTIFICATION: 10/14/2024 (Fine Ltr Email)

SUMMARY: Joan Iacono was a candidate for Venice City Council, Seat 4(Vice-Mayor) in the 2024 elections. Christopher Keller was her treasurer.

Joan Iacono is appealing the fine, claiming the report was delayed due to circumstances caused by Hurricane Milton. According to Mr. Keller, he evacuated his home due to mandatory flood zone orders. He was unable to file the report until he returned home on October 14, 2024, to deliver it to Venice City Hall. They are requesting a waiver of the fine due to these circumstances.

- The 2024 G4 Original Report covers the period from 09/21/24-10/04/24; it was due on 10/11/24.
- The 2024 G4 Report shows that it was filed on 10/14/24.
- Joan Iacono reported receiving 24 contributions, while making 6 expenditures.
- The City of Venice City Clerk's office provided emails that pertain to Joan Iacono's 2024 G4 report.

PRIOR CASES: NONE.

2B-1.005 Appeal of Fines Imposed by Filing Officers.

(1) To appeal a fine imposed pursuant to Sections 106.04(8) or 106.07(8), F.S., the party against whom the fine is levied shall file a notice of appeal with the Commission, and a copy filed with the filing officer, within 20 days of the appealing party's receipt of notice that a fine is being imposed. The notice of appeal shall contain:

- (a) The name, address and telephone number of the appealing party;
- (b) A copy of the notice of imposition of fine issued by the filing officer; and
- (c) A request for hearing if a personal appearance before the Commission is desired. If no hearing request is made, the appeal shall be decided solely on the documents submitted by the appealing party and Commission staff.

(2) Upon receipt of a timely notice of appeal, the Commission staff shall notify the appealing party that the appeal has been accepted. The appealing party shall have 20 days from acceptance of the appeal to submit any documents supporting the appeal. Any subsequent supplemental documents shall be filed no later than five business days before the hearing..

(3) The Commission shall uphold the fine imposed by the filing officer unless the appealing party demonstrates that the report was timely filed or that there were unusual or other circumstances beyond the control of the candidate or committee that caused the report to be filed late.

Rulemaking Authority 106 26(1) FS Law Implemented 106.04(8), 106.07(8), F.S. History-New 9-14-86, Amended 10-19-86, Formerly ID-100.5, Amended 1-11-99, 4-24-0.5, 6-2-13..

2B-1.0052 Fine Imposed; Timely Filed Reports.

Rulemaking Authority 106 26(1) Chapter 97-13, Section 52, Laws of Florida. Law Implemented 106 04(8), 106.07(8) FS History-New 1-1199, Amended 1-2-02, 4-24-0.5, Repealed 6-2-13..

2B-1.0055 Late-filed Reports; Unusual Circumstances.

(1) Unusual circumstances mean uncommon, rare or sudden events over which the actor has no control and which directly result in the failure to act according to the filing requirements. Unusual circumstances must occur within a time period that would clearly prevent the person legally responsible for filing the report from doing so in a timely manner. Unusual circumstances shall include, but are not limited to, the following circumstances:

- (a) Natural disaster or other emergency that prevented timely filing, Evidence submitted shall include copies of newspaper reports or other documents from an independent and reliable source that document the nature, date, and location of the natural disaster or emergency.
- (b) Death of the candidate or campaign treasurer or an immediate family member of the candidate or campaign treasurer. Evidence submitted shall include a copy of the death certificate, newspaper obituary, or funeral program or notice.
- (c) Serious illness, disability or non-elective surgery of the candidate or campaign treasurer, Evidence submitted shall include a physician's certification on professional letterhead stationery that includes the dates of the illness, disability, or surgery; a statement regarding the period of time that the patient was incapacitated; and a statement that surgery, if any, was not elective. The period of incapacitation may also be shown by copies of hospital records reflecting the dates of hospitalization.
- (d) Serious illness, disability or non-elective surgery of the candidate's or campaign treasurer's immediate family member, Evidence submitted shall include evidence of the candidate or treasurer's relationship to the family member, the location of the family member, and the reason the candidate or campaign treasurer's presence was required. Evidence submitted shall also include a physician's certification on professional letterhead stationery that includes the dates of the illness, disability or surgery; a statement regarding the period of time that the patient was incapacitated; a statement that surgery, if any, was not elective; and a statement that the patient required the care of a family member.
- (e) Computer or equipment failure caused by events that could not have been anticipated and that made timely filing of the report impossible.

- (f) The abrupt and unexpected loss of the campaign treasurer; over which the appealing party had no control. The loss of the campaign treasurer shall not constitute unusual circumstances if the appealing party failed to monitor the campaign treasurer's performance before his or her departure or if the appealing party failed to assure prompt preparation of the report after the treasurer's departure.
 - (g) Failure of the filing officer to e-mail, telephone, or mail a letter to the candidate, chairman of a political committee, or treasurer of a committee of continuous existence that a report is late no later than seven days after the report was due shall constitute unusual circumstances if the appealing party establishes that lack of notice clearly interfered with the timely filing of the report. The fine imposed by the filing officer shall be reduced to the amount that would have been imposed had the report been filed 13 days.
- (2) Unusual circumstances shall not include:
- (a) Failure of the United States Postal Service or other mail delivery service to postmark an envelope, legibly postmark an envelope, or timely deliver mail.
 - (b) Failure of the sender to affix sufficient postage to a report that is being mailed.

Rulemaking Authority 106.26(1) FS Law Implemented 106 04(8), 106 07(8) FS History—New I-11-99 Amended 4-24-05, 6-2-13..

JOAN IACONO
Candidate for Venice City Council Seat #4
1132 Bird Bay Way
Venice, Fl 34285

November 15, 2024

FLORIDA ELECTION COMMISSION
107 West Gaines Street
Suite 224
Tallahassee, Fl 32399-6596

Attn: Donna Ann Malphurs
Agency Clerk

Re: Case No.: FEC 24-400
Campaign Treasurer's Report due 10/11/24 (2024 GA)

Dear Ms. Malphurs:

This letter is in response to yours dated November 5, 2024. I am writing to you as the candidate whose Treasurer's Report due on October 11, 2024 was filed untimely.

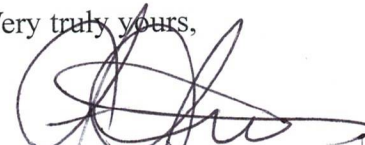
I am writing to confirm that I wish to appeal the fine assessed against me for failing to timely file the Campaign Treasurer's Report due October 11, 2024. I further wish to confirm that Christopher R. Keller, my campaign treasurer, was acting as my representative and on my behalf when he submitted his letter to you dated October 31, 2024.

I wish to incorporate into this letter all the statements made by Mr. Keller in his letter dated October 31, 2024 and I take those statements as my own. My family and I evacuated our home on October 8th and we were not able to return to Venice until after the campaign finance report's filing deadline of Friday, October 11th. The Report was filed promptly on the very next business day, Monday October 14, 2024.

I ask that you consider these circumstances as extraordinary and waive the late filing penalty.

Thank you for your courtesy.

Very truly yours,



JOAN IACONO

/JI

cc: C. Keller, Campaign Treasurer
K. Michaels, Venice City Clerk, Filing Officer

October 31, 2024

State of Florida Elections Commission

107 West Gaines Street, Suite 224

Tallahassee, FL 32399-0150

Dear Honorable Members of the Elections Commission,

I am writing to formally appeal the late filing penalty assessed for my 2024-G4 Campaign Finance Report for Joan Iacono for Venice City Council due date Friday, October 11, 2024. The report was filed late due to circumstances beyond my control, specifically the natural disaster caused by Hurricane Milton and the subsequent evacuation orders in Sarasota County.

On October 5, 2024, Florida Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order 24-214, declaring a disaster in Sarasota County, followed by Executive Order 24-215 on October 6, 2024. A State of Emergency was declared in Sarasota County on October 6, 2024, and the City of Venice declared a Local State of Emergency through Executive Order 2024-02 on October 7, 2024.

Due to these official declarations and a mandatory evacuation order for **Flood Zone B**, I evacuated my residence in Venice, Sarasota County, on Tuesday, October 8, 2024, for the safety of my family and myself. I want to also note that Candidate Iacono resides in **Flood Zone A** and complied with the mandatory evection order.

I sought shelter at the Aloft Hotel in Aventura, Florida, and was unable to return to Venice until after the campaign finance report's filing deadline of Friday, October 11, 2024. I made every effort to file the report promptly upon my return. I arrived at Venice City Hall at 7:45 AM on Monday, October 14, 2024, with the completed 2024-G4 Campaign Finance Report for Joan Iacono for Venice City Council. However, City Hall did not open until 8:00 AM. The report was stamped by the Clerk of the City of Venice at 8:04 AM.

I kindly request that you consider these extraordinary circumstances and waive the late filing penalty. The timing of the hurricane and the mandatory evacuation orders directly impacted my ability to meet the deadline despite my best efforts to comply with the filing requirements.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and your understanding. I am happy to provide any additional documentation or information as needed.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,



Christopher R. Keller
Treasurer
Joan Iacono for Venice City Council
c. +1 (312) 485-9404
ckeller2@gmail.com

Calculating fines for late Campaign Treasurer's Reports

Section 106.07(8)(b), Fla. Stat. - The fine is \$50 per day for the first 3 days late and, thereafter, \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25 percent of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. However, for the reports immediately preceding each special primary election, special election, primary election, and general election, the fine is \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25 percent of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. For reports required under s. 106.141(8), the fine is \$50 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25 percent of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. Upon receipt of the report, the filing officer shall determine the amount of the fine which is due and shall notify the candidate or chair or registered agent of the political committee.

The filing officer shall determine the amount of the fine due based upon the earliest of the following:

When the report is actually received by such officer; When the report is postmarked; When the certificate of mailing is dated; When the receipt from an established courier company is dated or; When the electronic receipt issued pursuant to s. 106.0705 or other electronic filing system authorized in this section is dated.

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Candidate Name: _____ Treasurer Name: _____

Report Identifiers

Cover Period From: _____ to _____ Report Type _____ Date Due: _____

Date Report Received by Filing Officer: _____ Total # of Days Late: _____

Fine is the lessor of the following two calculations:

Starts to accrue the day after the due date; Holidays and weekends are included (See DE Opinion 91-07); The day of the filing is included.

Calculate the fine based upon the formula of 25% of the contributions or expenditures, whichever is greater.

Contributions in Reporting Period: \$ _____ Expenditures in Reporting Period: \$ _____

25% of the Contributions or Expenditures, whichever is greater: **TOTAL DUE \$** _____

1. For Reports Due Immediately Preceding the election, special, or primary: \$500 x total days late _____ = **TOTAL DUE \$** _____ Not to exceed 25% of total receipts or expenditures (whichever is greater) covered by the late report.
2. For Termination Reports: \$50 x total days late _____ = **TOTAL DUE \$** _____ Not to exceed 25% of total receipts or expenditures (whichever is greater) covered by the late report.
3. For all Other Reports: \$50 for First 3 Days: \$ _____ ; Days 4 through _____ (day received in total count late) @ \$500 / day = \$ _____ **TOTAL DUE \$** _____ Not to exceed 25% of total receipts or expenditures (whichever is greater) covered by the late report.

The penalty is the **lessor** of the two total due amounts above and payment must be made within 20 days of notice due to the filing officer from personal funds (not from the campaign account): **TOTAL PENALTY DUE: \$** _____

From: [Kelly Michaels](#)
To: [Joan Iacono](#); ckeller2@gmail.com
Subject: RE: Late Filing Penalty Notice
Date: Wednesday, October 16, 2024 12:58:00 PM
Attachments: [G4 Late Penalty Notice.pdf](#)
[image001.png](#)
[image002.png](#)
[image003.png](#)
[image004.png](#)
[image005.png](#)
[image006.png](#)

Good Morning Joan and Christopher: I'm being told the "immediately preceding" election time period does not begin until report G5, therefore I've amended your penalty notice as attached which is better for you, however you still may appeal this penalty to the Florida Elections Commission as indicated previously.

Kelly Michaels, MMC

Venice City Clerk
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From: Kelly Michaels
Sent: Monday, October 14, 2024 1:15 PM
To: Joan Iacono <iaconoforvenicecouncil@gmail.com>; ckeller2@gmail.com
Subject: Late Filing Penalty Notice

Good Morning Joan and Christopher:

Attached is the late filing penalty notice for the 2024-G4 Campaign Finance Report.

Unfortunately the state has not issued a waiver or extended the deadline as indicated in the email thread below. The City Clerk has no authority to waive the fine and must collect within 20

days of the notice. You do have the right to appeal the penalty to the State of Florida Elections Commission under state law.

Please submit a personal check payable to the City of Venice in the amount of \$921.25 along with the attached fine calculation sheet by no later than Friday, November 1, 2024. City Hall hours are Monday through Friday, 8am – 4pm. Alternatively, you can mail the check to my attention at: City of Venice, 401 W Venice Avenue, Venice FL 34285. Please feel free to call me if you have any questions.

Penalty for Late Filing

Any candidate failing to file a report on the designated due date shall be subject to a fine of \$50 per day for the first three days late and, thereafter, \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25 percent of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. However, for the reports immediately preceding the primary and general election, the fine shall be \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25 percent of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report.

For a candidate's termination report, the fine shall be \$50 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25 percent of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater for the period covered by the late report. All fines must be paid from the candidate's personal funds – not campaign funds.

(Sections 106.07(2) and (8), Fla. Stat.)

Appeal of Automatic Fines

The Commission hears appeals regarding fines automatically imposed for the late-filing of campaign treasurer's reports. Section 106.07(8)(a), Florida Statutes, provides that a candidate or political committee that fails to timely file is also subject to an automatic fine. Section 106.29(3)(a), Florida Statutes, provides that a state or county executive committee of a political party is automatically fined for each day its report is late. Electioneering communications organizations are also subject to automatic fines under Section 106.703(7)(a), Florida Statutes. The appealing party may request a hearing before the Commission.

Appeal of Dissolution

The Commission hears appeals of dissolution of a political committees, electioneering communications organizations, and political parties by its filing officer. The appealing party must provide the Commission with documentation supporting its claim.

Please direct all inquiries to the clerk of the Commission at fec@myfloridalegal.com, or (850) 922-4539.

Kelly Michaels, MMC

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From: Chellman, Malcolm C. <Malcolm.Chellman@dos.myflorida.com>

Sent: Monday, October 14, 2024 10:49 AM

To: Kelly Michaels <kmichaels@venicefl.gov>

Subject: FW: Late Filing Fee Waived due to Hurricane Milton?

Caution: This email originated from an external source. **Be Suspicious of Attachments, Links and Requests for Login Information**

Good morning -

Currently, no extension has been issued. File your reports as soon as you are able, keep notes on the circumstances that led to the late filings, and appeal the fines to the Florida Elections Commission as directed in the fine letters. If no activity is reported, there is nothing to base an automatic fine on.

From: Kelly Michaels <kmichaels@venicefl.gov>

Sent: Monday, October 14, 2024 9:56 AM

To: ElecRecords <ElecRecords@Dos.myflorida.com>

Subject: Late Filing Fee Waived due to Hurricane Milton?

EMAIL RECEIVED FROM EXTERNAL SOURCE

The attachments/links in this message have been scanned by Proofpoint.

Good Morning: I had several candidates and one political action committee who missed the deadline for filing of the 2024_G4 Campaign Finance Report. I have been notified that the candidates/treasurers evacuated in advance of Hurricane Milton. My questions is whether the state will waive the late filing deadline penalty and if so, what is the filing deadline extension date. Please advise. Thank you.

Kelly Michaels, MMC

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CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT SUMMARY

(1) Joan lacono

Name

(2) 1132 Bird Bay Way

Address (number and street)

Venice FL 34285

City, State, Zip Code

☐ Check here if address has changed

(3) ID Number:

(4) Check appropriate box(es):

☒ Candidate Office Sought: Venice City Council Seat #4

☐ Political Committee (PC)☐ Electioneering Communications Org. (ECO)☐ Party Executive Committee (PTY)

☐ Independent Expenditure (IE) (also covers an individual making electioneering communications)

☐ Check here if PC or ECO has disbanded☐ Check here if PTY has disbanded☐ Check here if no other IE or EC reports will be filed

(5) Report Identifiers

Cover Period: From 09 / 21 / 2024 To 10 / 04 / 2024 Report Type: 2024 G4

☒ Original☐ Amendment☐ Special Election Report

(6) Contributions This Report

Cash & Checks \$, 3 , 685 . 00

Loans \$ _____, _____, _____ 0. 00

Total Monetary \$, 3 , 685 . 00

In-Kind \$ _____ , _____ , _____ . **+**

(7) Expenditures This Report

Monetary Expenditures \$, 1 , 275 . 76

Transfers to
Office Account \$, 0 . 00

Total Monetary \$, 1 , 275 . 76

(8) Other Distributions

\$, , 0 . 00

(9) TOTAL Monetary Contributions To Date

\$ _____, 11, 955. 00

(10) TOTAL Monetary Expenditures To Date

\$, 7 , 661 . 71

(11) Certification

It is a first degree misdemeanor for any person to falsify a public record (ss. 839.13, F.S.)

I certify that I have examined this report and it is true, correct, and complete:

(Type name) Christopher R. Keller

☐ Individual (only for IE or electioneering comm.) ☒ Treasurer ☐ Deputy Treasurer

X
Signature

(Type name) **Joan Iacono**

☒ Candidate ☐ Chairperson (only for PC and PTY)

X
Signature

CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS

CITY OF VENICE

(1) Name Joan Iacono

(2) I.D. Number _____

(3) Cover Period 09 / 21 / 2024 through 10 / 04 / 2024

(4) Page 1 of 4

(5) Date	(7) Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle) Street Address & City, State, Zip Code	(8) Contributor Type Occupation		(9) Contribution Type	(10) In-kind Description	(11) Amendment	(12) Amount
09 / 22 / 2024	Marshall Happer 117 Martellago Drive	I	Attorney	CHE			250.00
0001	North Venice, FL 34275						
09 / 23 / 2024	Tina Marrelli 922 The Rialto	I	Consultant	CHE			100.00
0002	Venice, FL 34285						
09 / 23 / 2024	Judy Sevada 514 Harbord Dr S	I		CAS			40.00
0003	Venice, FL 34285						
09 / 23 / 2024	Nunziata Sebastian 28 Gulf Manor Dr	I		CAS			20.00
0004	Venice, FL 34285						
09 / 23 / 2024	Kenneth Heitel 347 W. Venice Ave	I	Business own	CHE			100.00
0005	Venice, FL 34285						
09 / 23 / 2024	Norma Dayton 1612 E. Cypress Point	I		CHE			50.00
0006	Venice, FL 34293						
09 / 23 / 2024	Kathleen Flynn 444 Darling Dr	I		CHE			50.00
0007	Venice, FL 34285						

CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED CONTRIBUTIONS

CITY OF VENICE

(1) Name Joan Iacono (2) I.D. Number _____

(3) Cover Period 09 / 21 / 2024 through 10 / 04 / 2024 (4) Page 2 of 4
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(5) Date	(7) Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle) Street Address & City, State, Zip Code	(8) Contributor Type Occupation		(9) Contribution Type	(10) In-kind Description	(11) Amendment	(12) Amount
(6) Sequence Number		Type	Occupation				
09 / 23 / 2024 0008	Margaret Cannon 516 Harbor Drive S Venice, FL 34285	I		CHE			25.00
09 / 24 / 2024 0009	Gary A. Rome 72 First Pl Brooklyn, NY. 11231	I	Attorney	CHE			1,000.00
09 / 27 / 2024 0010	Florence DiLeo 124 Lincoln Drive Kings Park, NJ. 11754	I	Client Manag	CHE			100.00
09 / 27 / 2024 0011	Lloyd H Collines 1109 The Rialto Venice, FL. 34285	I		CHE			20.00
09 / 27 / 2024 0012	Edwin Martin 409 Everglades Dr Venice, FL. 34285	I	Retired	CHE			100.00
09 / 27 / 2024 0013	Marie Puma 317 N. Tamiami Tr #82 Venice, FL 34285	I		CHE			25.00
09 / 27 / 2024 0014	Stanley L Pakula 312 Field Ave E Venice, FL 34285	I		CHE			25.00

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CITY OF VENICE

(1) Name Joan Iacono

(2) I.D. Number _____

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(5) Date	(7) Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle) Street Address & City, State, Zip Code	(8) Contributor Type Occupation		(9) Contribution Type	(10) In-kind Description	(11) Amendment	(12) Amount
(6) Sequence Number		Type	Occupation	Type	Description		
09 / 27 / 2024	Gerald E. McCormick 147 Tampa Ave E, Unit 502	I		CHE			50.00
0015	Venice, FL 34285						
09 / 27 / 2024	Janet Fuzak 1208 Lakeside Woods	I	Retired	CHE			100.00
0016	Venice, FL. 34285						
10 / 01 / 2024	Joan O'Sullivan 5 Ocean Ave Apt 7A	I	Registered N	CHE			1,000.00
0017	Belmar, NJ. 07719						
10 / 01 / 2024	Melinda Schell 968 Trinidad East	I		CHE			30.00
0018	Venice, FL 34285						
10 / 02 / 2024	David O'Sullivan 905 Lake Lily Dr	I	Business own	CHE			100.00
0019	Maitland, FL 32751						
10 / 02 / 2024	Robert Iacono 11690 Garland Rd	I	Retired	CHE			100.00
0020	Greensboro, MD 21639						
10 / 03 / 2024	Melissa Riccardi 500 Trinity Lane N	I	Investment S	CHE			100.00
0021	St Petersburg, FL 33716						

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(6) Sequence Number		Type	Occupation	Type	Description		
10 03 2024 / /	Charles Good 860 Bird Bay Way Venice, FL 34285	I	Retired	CHE			100.00
0022							
10 03 2024 / /	Donna Saltier 3287 Holcomb Road Port Charlotte, FL 33981	I	Retired	CHE			100.00
0023							
10 03 2024 / /	Lon O'Sullivan 2 Constitution Court, Apt 1109 Hoboken, NJ 07030	I	Managing Dir	CHE			100.00
0024							
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CAMPAIGN TREASURER'S REPORT – ITEMIZED EXPENDITURES

CITY OF VENICE

(1) Name Joan Iacono

(2) I.D. Number _____

(3) Cover Period 09 / 21 / 2024 through 10 / 04 / 2024

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(5) Date	(7) Full Name (Last, Suffix, First, Middle) Street Address & City, State, Zip Code	(8) Purpose (add office sought if contribution to a candidate)	(9) Expenditure Type	(10) Amendment	(11) Amount
(6) Sequence Number					
09 / 25 / 2024	Venice Print Center 2021 S Tamiami Trl Venice, FL. 34293	Printing			
0001			CAN		274.95
09 / 26 / 2024	Paul Ratner 7586 Tori Way Lakewood Ranch, FL 34202	Video Production			
0002			CAN		800.00
09 / 26 / 2024	TJ Maxx 450 N. Venice Bypass Venice, FL. 34285	Picnic Supplies			
0003			CAN		9.61
10 / 02 / 2024	Office Depot 1564 US-41 BYP Venice, FL. 34293	Office Supplies			
0004			CAN		85.60
10 / 02 / 2024	Office Depot 1564 US-41 BYP Venice, FL. 34293	Printing			
0005			CAN		21.40
10 / 04 / 2024	Anedot Inc. 1340 Poydras Street Suite 1770 New Orleans, LA 70112	Electronic Contribution Collection - Transactions Fees			
0006			CAN		84.20

Candidate: Joan Iacono

Treasurer: Christopher Keller

Campaign Finance Reports Filing Log

Report Type	Covering Period	Date Due	Date Rec'd	Time	Late
2024-G1	08/16/2024 - 08/23/2024	8/30/2024	8/30/2024	10:17	
2024-G2	08/24/2024 - 09/06/2024	9/13/2024	9/13/2024	13:59	
2024-G3	09/07/2024 - 09/20/2024	9/27/2024	9/25/2024	13:58	
2024-G4	09/21/2024 - 10/04/2024	10/11/2024	10/14/2024	8:04	X
2024-G5	10/05/2024 - 10/18/2024	10/25/2025	10/22/2024	13:50	
2024-G6	10/19/2024 - 10/31/2024	11/1/2024	11/1/2024	10:48	

Calendar of Reporting Dates

for 2024 Candidates registered with the Division of Elections

<u>Cover Period</u>	<u>Report Code</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
10/1/23 – 12/31/23	2023 Q4	1/10/2024
1/1/24 – 3/31/24	2024 Q1	4/10/2024
4/1/24 – 5/31/24	2024 Q2	6/10/2024

6/1/24 – 6/14/24	2024 P1	6/21/2024
6/15/24 – 6/28/24	2024 P2	7/5/2024
6/29/24 – 7/12/24	2024 P3	7/19/2024
7/13/24 – 7/19/24	2024 P4	7/26/2024
7/20/24 – 7/26/24	2024 P5	8/2/2024
7/27/24 – 8/02/24	2024 P6	8/9/2024
8/03/24 – 8/15/24	2024 P7	8/16/2024

8/16/24 – 8/23/24	2024 G1	8/30/2024
8/24/24 – 9/06/24	2024 G2	9/13/2024
9/07/24 – 9/20/24	2024 G3	9/27/2024
9/21/24 – 10/04/24	2024 G4	10/11/2024
10/05/24 – 10/18/24	2024 G5	10/25/2024
10/19/24 – 10/31/24	2024 G6	11/01/2024

Termination Reports

<u>Cover Period</u>	<u>Report Code</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
After April Qualifying	TR	7/25/2024
After June Qualifying	TR	9/12/2024
Primary Election	TR	11/18/2024
General Election	TR	2/3/2025

From: [Kelly Michaels](#)
To: ckeller2@gmail.com
Cc: [Joan Iacono](#)
Subject: Campaign Finance Resources and Information
Date: Monday, September 9, 2024 1:16:00 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
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[image004.png](#)
[image005.png](#)

Good Afternoon Mr. Keller:

This email is confirmation of your appointment as the campaign treasurer for Joan Iacono's campaign for Venice City Council. Her campaign officially began on 8/21/2024. Below is information and links to reference materials concerning Campaign Finance Reports required by state law. Please note I am unable to assist with the completion of these forms as I am the official filing officer who will receive them. However, I can provide you with reference materials to assist you. See helpful information and links below. Please contact me if you have questions or need additional information.

Campaign Reports - Candidates

Each campaign treasurer designated by a candidate shall file regular reports of all contributions received and all expenditures made by or on behalf of such candidate. (Section 106.07, F.S.) Please be aware there is comprehensive information for candidates and treasurers as well as information concerning the state mandated late fee for the late filing of campaign finance reports as indicated in your [Candidate and Campaign Treasurer's Handbook](#). This document was also provided to the candidate in the binder of election materials received from me. This document can be reviewed in link provided.

Campaign Forms and Reporting Dates

Campaign report filing forms and reporting deadline dates can be found on the City of Venice webpage dedicated to [candidates and campaign treasurers](#). **The next deadline for reporting is September 13, 2024 for the period covering 8/24/2024 through 9/06/2024 (Report Type: 2024 G2).** I am providing links to the [reporting deadline dates](#) for campaign finance reports and [Treasurer's Manual](#) as indicated in the email below. If you want to see some examples of reports filed, check out the prior year's [campaign report filings online](#). Please note you will **NOT** receive reminders from me so please check out the reporting dates online and record the deadlines into your personal calendar with a reminder alarm notification.

Penalty for Late Filing

Any candidate failing to file a report on the designated due date shall be subject to a fine of \$50 per day for the first 3 days late and, thereafter, \$500 per day for each late day, not

to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. However, for reports immediately preceding each primary and general election, the fine shall be \$500 per day for each late day, not to exceed 25% of the total receipts or expenditures, whichever is greater, for the period covered by the late report. (Section 106.0702(7), Fla. Stat.)

Kelly Michaels, MMC

Venice City Clerk

City Clerk's Office

City of Venice

Tel: [941-882-7390](tel:941-882-7390)

Cell: [941-303-3486](tel:941-303-3486)

Email: kmichaels@venicefl.gov

Web: www.venicegov.com



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**APPOINTMENT OF CAMPAIGN TREASURER
AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN
DEPOSITORY FOR CANDIDATES**

(Section 106.021(1), F.S.)

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

CITY OF VENICE
AUG21'24 9:35

NOTE: This form must be on file with the filing officer before opening the campaign account.

OFFICE USE ONLY

1. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX(ES):

☒ Initial Filing of Form ☐ Re-filing to Change: ☐ Treasurer/Deputy ☐ Depository ☐ Office ☐ Party

2. Name of Candidate (in this order: First, Middle, Last):
(Please Print or Type Name)

JOAN IACONO

3. Address (include PO Box or Street, City, State, Zip Code):

1132 Bird Bay Way
Venice Fl. 34285

4. Telephone:

(941) 302-7360

5. Candidate's Voter Registration #:

129348366

(not required for qualifying purposes)

6. Email Address:

iaconoforvenicecouncil@gmail.com

7. Office Sought (include district, circuit, group, or seat #):

City Council Seat #4

8. If a candidate for a nonpartisan office, check the box if applicable:

☐ I intend to run as a Write-In Candidate.

9. If a candidate for partisan office, check the box and fill in the name of the party as applicable: I intend to run as a

☐ Write-In Candidate. ☐ No Party Affiliation Candidate. ☐ _____ Party candidate.

10. I have appointed the following person to act as my:

☒ Campaign Treasurer

☐ Deputy Treasurer

11. Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer:

Joan Iacono

12. Telephone:

(941) 302-7360

13. Email Address:

iaconoforvenicecouncil@gmail.com

14. Mailing Address:

1132 Bird Bay Way

15. City:

Venice

16. State:

FL

17. Zip Code:

34285

18. I have designated the following bank as my (check appropriate box): ☒ Primary Depository ☐ Secondary Depository

19. Name of Bank:

Wells Fargo

20. Address:

1306 E. Venice Ave Fl. 1

21. City:

Venice

22. County:

Sarasota

23. State:

FL

24. Zip Code:

34285

UNDER PENALTIES OF PERJURY, I DECLARE THAT I HAVE READ THE FOREGOING FORM FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF THE CAMPAIGN TREASURER AND DESIGNATION OF THE CAMPAIGN DEPOSITORY AND THAT THE FACTS STATED IN IT ARE TRUE.

25. Date: August 20, 2024

26. Signature of Candidate:

X

27. Treasurer's Acceptance of Appointment (fill in the blanks and check the appropriate box)

I, Joan Iacono do hereby accept the appointment designated above as:
(Please Print or Type Name)

☒ Campaign Treasurer.

☐ Deputy Treasurer.

28. Date: August 20, 2024

29. Signature of Campaign Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer

X

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AND DESIGNATION OF CAMPAIGN
DEPOSITORY FOR CANDIDATES**

(Section 106.021(1), F.S.)

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

CITY OF VENICE

SEP9'24 9:21

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2. Name of Candidate (in this order: First, Middle, Last):
(Please Print or Type Name)

Joan Iacono

3. Address (include PO Box or Street, City, State, Zip Code):

1132 Bird Bay Way
Vvenice FL 34285

4. Telephone:

(941) 302-7360

5. Candidate's Voter Registration #:

129348366

(not required for qualifying purposes)

6. Email Address:

iaconofovenicecouncil@gmail.com

7. Office Sought (include district, circuit, group, or seat #):

City Council Seat #4

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☐ Write-In Candidate. ☐ No Party Affiliation Candidate. ☐ _____ Party candidate.

10. I have appointed the following person to act as my:

☒ Campaign Treasurer

☐ Deputy Treasurer

11. Name of Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer:

Christopher R. Keller

12. Telephone:

(312) 485-9404

13. Email Address:

CKELLER20
GMAIL.COM

14. Mailing Address:

772 Bird Bay Drive W.

772 Bird Bay
Dr West

15. City:

Venice

16. State:

Florida

17. Zip Code:

34285

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22. County:

Sarasota

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Florida

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34285

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25. Date: September 6, 2024

26. Signature of Candidate:

X

27. Treasurer's Acceptance of Appointment (fill in the blanks and check the appropriate box)

I, Christopher R. Keller do hereby accept the appointment designated above as:

(Please Print or Type Name)

☒ Campaign Treasurer.

☐ Deputy Treasurer.

28. Date: September 6, 2024

29. Signature of Campaign Treasurer or Deputy Treasurer

X

STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 24-264

(Emergency Management – Extension of Executive Order 24-214 – Hurricane Milton)

WHEREAS, on October 5, 2024, I issued Executive Order 24-214, declaring a state of emergency for thirty-five counties due to the severe weather, heavy rainfall, flash flooding, river flooding, and gusty winds caused by Tropical Storm Milton; and

WHEREAS, on October 6, 2024, I issued Executive Order 24-215, which amended Executive Order 24-214, and extended the state of emergency to fifty-one counties; and

WHEREAS, the tropical system surged from a tropical storm to a category 5 hurricane in less than twenty four hours on its trajectory in the Gulf of Mexico; and

WHEREAS, on October 9, 2024, Hurricane Milton made landfall as a dangerous category 3 hurricane along Florida's Gulf Coast near Siesta Key, about five miles west of Sarasota; and

WHEREAS, the affected areas are still recovering from the damage caused by Hurricane Milton; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order 24-214, as amended by Executive Orders 24-215 and 24-234, expires on December 4, 2024, unless extended; and

WHEREAS, an extension of Executive Order 24-214 is necessary because recovery efforts and those affected by this disaster require the continued support of the State of Florida.

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. The state of emergency and all provisions of Executive Order 24-214 are renewed for sixty (60) days following the date of this Executive Order.

Section 2. This Executive Order will not extend the amendments and accommodations made by Executive Order 24-234 which are now moot.

Section 3. Except as amended herein, Executive Order 24-214, as amended by Executive Order 24-215, is ratified and reaffirmed.

Section 4. This Executive Order is effective immediately.



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 3rd day of December, 2024.



RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



SECRETARY OF STATE

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FL
2024 DEC -3 PM 4:19

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STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 24-215

(Emergency Management – Amending Executive Order 24-214 – Tropical Storm Milton)

WHEREAS, on October 5, 2024, I issued Executive Order 24-214, declaring a state of emergency for thirty-five counties across the State of Florida due to the dangers presented by Tropical Storm Milton; and

WHEREAS, on October 6, 2024, Tropical Storm Milton continues to strengthen, and is forecast to undergo significant to rapid intensification over the next seventy two hours as it moves eastward over the central and eastern Gulf of Mexico; and

WHEREAS, the forecast indicates that Tropical Storm Milton will be at or near a catastrophic major hurricane upon landfall along the Florida West Coast, accompanied by life-threatening storm surge and severe wind gusts for the Florida Gulf Coast; and

WHEREAS, an amendment to Executive Order 24-214 is necessary because recovery efforts and those affected by this disaster require the continued support of the State 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 24-214 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 Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Brevard, Broward, Charlotte, Citrus, Clay, Collier, Columbia, DeSoto, Dixie, Duval, Flagler, Gilchrist, Glades, Hamilton, Hardee, Hendry, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Indian River, Lafayette, Lake, Lee, Levy, Madison, Manatee, Marion, Martin, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Nassau, Okeechobee, Orange, Osceola, Palm Beach, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Putnam, Sarasota, Seminole, St. Johns, St. Lucie, Sumter, Suwanee, Taylor, Union, and Volusia counties.

Section 2. Except as amended herein, Executive Order 24-214 is ratified and reaffirmed.

Section 3. This Executive Order is effective immediately and shall expire upon the expiration of Executive Order 24-214.



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 6th day of October, 2024.

A blue ink signature of Ron DeSantis, written in a cursive style.

RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

A blue ink signature of the Secretary of State, written in a cursive style.

SECRETARY OF STATE

2024 OCT -5 11:04:13
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10-06-2024 11:04:13

STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 24-214 (Emergency Management – Tropical Storm Milton)

WHEREAS, on October 5, 2024, showers and thunderstorms associated with an area of low pressure located over the southwestern Gulf of Mexico have gradually become better organized, and the storm is now identified as Tropical Storm Milton; and

WHEREAS, atmospheric and oceanic conditions are anticipated to support rapid intensification over the Gulf of Mexico, and Tropical Storm Milton is forecast to become a hurricane by early Monday; and

WHEREAS, this system could become a major hurricane near or at landfall along the West Florida Coast by the middle of next week; and

WHEREAS, there is an increasing risk of life-threatening storm surge and wind impacts for portions of the western Florida Peninsula beginning as soon as later Tuesday and Wednesday; and

WHEREAS, areas of heavy rainfall will impact portions of Florida well ahead of the tropical system, impacting Florida Gulf Coast communities still recovering from recent Major Hurricane Helene; and

WHEREAS, current computer modeling shows rainfall predictions of four to eight inches across the Florida Peninsula, with locally higher amounts in excess of eight to twelve inches possible; and

WHEREAS, much of Florida has recorded above normal rainfall over the past thirty days; North Florida has experienced rainfall totals of six to twelve inches above normal, with portions

of the eastern Florida Panhandle measuring fifteen to twenty inches above normal for this time of year; and

WHEREAS, this level of soil saturation will likely lead to a more rapid onset to flash, urban, and riverine flooding through next week; and

WHEREAS, heavy rainfall, flooding, and gusty winds will cause power outages due to downed trees and powerlines due to the already vulnerable state of Florida's vegetation and coastal infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the consequences of these impacts could damage the operational capability of critical infrastructure including major interstates and roadways, bridges, airports, schools, hospitals, power grids, in addition to prolonging recovery efforts from Major Hurricane Helene; 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. Because of the foregoing conditions, which are projected to constitute a major disaster, I declare that a state of emergency exists in Brevard, Broward, Charlotte, Citrus, Collier, DeSoto, Flagler, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Indian River, Lake, Lee, Manatee, Marion, Martin, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Okeechobee, Orange, Osceola, Palm Beach, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Putnam, Sarasota, Seminole, St. Johns, St. Lucie, Sumter, and Volusia counties.

Section 2. I designate the Executive Director of the Division of Emergency Management (“Director”) as the State Coordinating Officer for the duration of this emergency and direct him to execute the State’s Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan and other response, recovery, and mitigation plans necessary to cope with the emergency, including any logistical, rescue or evacuation operations. Pursuant to section 252.36(1)(a), Florida Statutes, I delegate to the State Coordinating Officer the authority to exercise those powers delineated in sections 252.36(6)-(12), Florida Statutes, which he shall exercise as needed to meet this emergency, subject to the limitations of section 252.33, Florida Statutes. In exercising the powers delegated by this Executive Order, the State Coordinating Officer shall confer with the Governor to the fullest extent practicable. It is further ordered that the requirements of sections 943.13 and 943.131, Florida Statutes, as they may be applicable to the State Coordinating Officer, shall be waived for the duration of this emergency. The State Coordinating Officer shall not have the authority to suspend or limit the sale, dispensing, or transportation of firearms pursuant to section 252.36(6)(h), Florida Statutes. The State Coordinating Officer shall also have the authority to:

A. Invoke and administer the Emergency Management Assistance Compact (“EMAC”) (sections 252.921-252.9335, Florida Statutes) and other compacts and agreements existing between the State of Florida and other states, and the further authority to coordinate the allocation of resources from such other states that are made available to Florida under such compacts and agreements so as to best meet this emergency.

B. Seek direct assistance and enter into agreements with any and all agencies of the federal government as may be needed to meet this emergency.

C. Direct all state, regional, and local governmental agencies, including law enforcement agencies, to identify personnel needed from those agencies to assist in meeting the response, recovery, and mitigation needs created by this emergency, and to place all such personnel

under the direct command and coordination of the State Coordinating Officer to meet this emergency.

D. Direct the actions of any state agency as necessary to implement the Federal Emergency Management Agency's National Disaster Recovery Framework.

E. Designate Deputy State Coordinating Officers and Deputy State Disaster Recovery Coordinators, as necessary.

F. Suspend the effect of any statute, rule, or order that would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay any mitigation, response, or recovery action necessary to cope with this emergency. In accordance with section 252.3611(1), Florida Statutes, any such order, declaration, or other action shall specify each statute or rule being amended or waived, if applicable, and the expiration date for the order or action.

G. Enter orders as may be needed to implement any of the foregoing powers; however, the requirements of sections 252.46 and 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, do not apply to any such orders issued by the State Coordinating Officer. No such order shall remain in effect beyond the expiration of this Executive Order, including any extension thereof.

H. Direct all state, regional, and local governmental agencies, including law enforcement agencies, to allow Floridians to return to their properties when it is reasonably safe to do so.

Section 3. I order the Adjutant General to activate the Florida National Guard, as needed, to deal with this emergency. I further order the Director of the Florida State Guard to activate the Florida State Guard, as needed, to respond to this emergency.

Section 4. I find that the special duties and responsibilities resting upon some state, regional, and local agencies and other governmental bodies in responding to this emergency may

require them to suspend or waive certain statutes, rules, ordinances, and orders they administer.

Therefore, I issue the following authorizations:

A. Pursuant to section 252.36(6)(a), Florida Statutes, the Executive Office of the Governor may suspend all statutes and rules affecting budgeting to the extent necessary to provide budget authority for state agencies to cope with this emergency. The requirements of sections 252.46 and 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, do not apply to any such suspension issued by the Executive Office of the Governor. No such suspension shall remain in effect beyond the expiration of this Executive Order, including any extension thereof.

B. Each state agency may suspend the provisions of any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or the orders or rules of that agency, if strict compliance with the provisions of any such statute, order, or rule would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the emergency. This includes, but is not limited to, the authority to suspend any and all statutes, rules, ordinances, or orders which affect leasing, printing, purchasing, travel, and the condition of employment and the compensation of employees. In accordance with section 252.3611(1), Florida Statutes, any agency order, declaration, or other action suspending a statute or rule shall specify each statute or rule being amended or waived, if applicable, and the expiration date for the order or action. The requirements of sections 252.46 and 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, shall not apply to any such suspension issued by a state agency. No such suspension shall remain in effect beyond the expiration of this Executive Order, including any extension thereof.

C. In accordance with section 252.38(3), Florida Statutes, each political subdivision within the State of Florida may waive the procedures and formalities otherwise required of the political subdivision by law pertaining to:

1) Performance of public work and taking whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community;

2) Following local procurement and contracting policies;

3) Entering into contracts; however, political subdivisions are cautioned against entering into time and materials contracts without a ceiling as defined by 2 CFR 200.318(j) or cost plus a percentage of cost contracts prohibited by 2 CFR 200.324(d);

4) Incurring obligations;

5) Employment of permanent and temporary workers;

6) Utilization of volunteer workers;

7) Rental of equipment;

8) Acquisition and distribution, with or without compensation, of supplies, materials, and facilities; and

9) Appropriation and expenditure of public funds.

D. All agencies whose employees are certified as disaster service volunteers within the meaning of section 110.120(2)(d), Florida Statutes, may, in accordance with section 110.120(3), Florida Statutes, release any such employees for such service as requested by the employee to meet this emergency.

E. The Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation (DOT) may:

1) Waive the collection of tolls and other fees and charges for the use of the Turnpike and other public highways, to the extent such waiver may be needed to provide emergency assistance or facilitate the evacuation of the affected counties;

2) Manage the flow of traffic or close any and all roads, highways, and portions of highways as may be needed for the safe and efficient transportation of evacuees to those counties

that the State Coordinating Officer may designate as destination counties for evacuees in this emergency;

3) Suspend enforcement of the registration requirements pursuant to section 316.545(4), Florida Statutes, for commercial motor vehicles that enter Florida to provide emergency services or supplies, to transport emergency equipment, supplies or personnel, or to transport FEMA mobile homes or office style mobile homes into or from Florida;

4) Waive by special permit the warning signal requirements in the Utility Accommodations Manual to accommodate public utility companies from other jurisdictions which render assistance in restoring vital services; and

5) Waive the size and weight restrictions for divisible loads on any vehicles transporting emergency equipment, services, supplies, and agricultural commodities and citrus as recommended by the Commissioner of Agriculture, allowing the establishment of alternate size and weight restrictions for all such vehicles for the duration of the emergency. The DOT shall issue permits and such vehicles shall be subject to such special conditions as the DOT may endorse on any such permits.

Nothing in this Executive Order shall be construed to allow any vehicle to exceed weight limits posted for bridges and like structures, or relieve any vehicle or the carrier, owner, or driver of any vehicle from compliance with any restrictions other than those specified in this Executive Order, or from any statute, rule, order, or other legal requirement not specifically waived or suspended herein or by supplemental order by the State Coordinating Officer.

F. The Executive Director of the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV) may:

1) Suspend enforcement of the registration requirements pursuant to sections 316.545(4) and 320.0715, Florida Statutes, for commercial motor vehicles that enter Florida to

provide emergency services or supplies, to transport emergency equipment, supplies or personnel, or to transport FEMA mobile homes or office style mobile homes into or from Florida;

2) Waive the hours-of-service requirements for such vehicles;

3) Suspend the enforcement of the licensing and registration requirements under the International Fuel Tax Agreement (IFTA) pursuant to chapter 207, Florida Statutes, and the International Registration Plan (IRP) pursuant to section 320.0715, Florida Statutes, for motor carriers or drivers operating commercial motor vehicles that are properly registered in other jurisdictions and that are participating in emergency relief efforts through the transportation of equipment and supplies or providing other assistance in the form of emergency services;

4) Waive fees for duplicate or replacement vessel registration certificates, vessel title certificates, vehicle license plates, vehicle registration certificates, vehicle tag certificates, vehicle title certificates, handicapped parking permits, replacement drivers' licenses, and replacement identification cards and to waive the additional fees for the late renewal of or application for such licenses, certificates, and documents due to the effects of adverse weather conditions; and

5) Defer administrative actions and waive fees imposed by law for the late renewal or application for the above licenses, certificates, and documents, which were delayed due to the effects of adverse weather conditions, including in counties wherein the DHSMV has closed offices, or any office of the County Tax Collector that acts on behalf of the DHSMV to process renewals has closed offices due to adverse weather conditions. Recordkeeping and other applicable requirements for existing IFTA and IRP licensees and registrants are not affected by this Executive Order. The DHSMV shall promptly notify the State Coordinating Officer when the waiver is no longer necessary.

G. In accordance with section 465.0275(2), Florida Statutes, pharmacists may dispense up to a 30-day emergency prescription refill of maintenance medication to persons who reside in an area or county covered under this Executive Order and to emergency personnel who have been activated by their state or local agency but who do not reside in an area or county covered by this Executive Order. In accordance with section 465.019(4)(b), Florida Statutes, a hospital that operates a Class II or Class III institutional pharmacy located in an area or county covered under this Executive Order may prescribe and dispense a supply of medicinal drug lasting up to 72 hours.

H. All state agencies responsible for the use of state buildings and facilities may close such buildings and facilities in those portions of the State affected by this emergency, to the extent necessary to meet this emergency. I direct each state agency to report the closure of any State building or facility to the WebEOC system utilized by the Division of Emergency Management. Under the authority contained in section 252.36, Florida Statutes, I direct each county to report the closure of any building or facility operated or maintained by the county or any political subdivision on a daily basis to the WebEOC system. Furthermore, I direct the Secretary of the Department of Management Services to:

- 1) Maintain an accurate and up-to-date list of all such closures; and
- 2) Provide that list daily to the State Coordinating Officer.

I. All State agencies may abrogate the time requirements, notice requirements, and deadlines for final action on applications for permits, licenses, rates, and other approvals under any statutes or rules under which such application are deemed to be approved unless disapproved in writing by specified deadlines. All such time requirements that have not yet expired as of the date of this Executive Order are suspended and tolled to the extent necessary to meet this emergency.

J. All agencies shall implement Selected Exempt Services (SES) Extraordinary Payment Plans and Career Service Regular Compensatory Leave Payment Plans for:

1) All essential agency personnel who are required to work extraordinary hours when state-owned or state-operated facilities are closed in response to an emergency condition. Employees who are eligible to receive extraordinary pay under the agency's activated plan shall accrue special compensatory leave credits for work performed during facility closures up to the number of hours in the employee's established workday. For these employees, any additional time worked beyond the employee's established workday during facility closures will result in extraordinary pay;

2) All agency personnel who are assigned to the State Emergency Operations Center and are required to work extraordinary hours; and

3) All agency personnel who are deployed throughout the state in response to an emergency condition and are required to work extraordinary hours.

K. All State agencies may waive the forty-day time limit to issue a warrant pursuant to section 215.422(3)(b), Florida Statutes. This waiver applies to invoices and reimbursement requests arising from this emergency that were received, inspected, and approved by the agency prior to the expiration of this Executive Order, including any extension thereof. This waiver of section 215.422(3)(b), Florida Statutes, and all waivers based upon this waiver shall expire upon the expiration of this Executive Order, including any extension thereof.

L. The provisions of section 934.50, Florida Statutes, excluding subsection (4), are waived for state and local agencies conducting emergency operations arising from the state of emergency for the limited purpose of capturing aerial evidence concerning the amount of damage sustained to private and public property; to assist in search, rescue, and recovery activities; and prevent imminent danger to life or serious damage to property.

Section 5. All public facilities, including elementary and secondary schools, community colleges, state universities, and other facilities owned or leased by the state, regional or local governments that are suitable for use as public shelters shall be made available at the request of the local emergency management agencies to ensure the proper reception and care of all evacuees. Under the authority contained in section 252.36, Florida Statutes, I direct the Superintendent of each public-school district in the State of Florida to report the closure of any school within its district to the Commissioner of the Florida Department of Education. Furthermore, I direct the Commissioner of the Department of Education to:

- A. Maintain an accurate and up-to-date list of all such closures; and
- B. Provide that list daily to the State Coordinating Officer.

Section 6. I find that the demands placed upon funds specifically appropriated to state and local agencies for disaster relief or response are unreasonably great and that such funds may be inadequate to pay the costs of coping with this emergency. In accordance with section 252.37(2), Florida Statutes, I direct that sufficient funds be made available, as needed, by transferring and expending moneys from the Emergency Preparedness and Response Fund.

Section 7. All state agencies entering emergency orders, emergency rules, or other emergency actions in response to this emergency shall advise the State Coordinating Officer contemporaneously or as soon as practicable thereafter, and, pursuant to section 252.36(3)(b), Florida Statutes, shall submit the order or declaration to the Division of Administrative Hearings within five (5) days of issuance.

Section 8. Medical professionals and workers, social workers, and counselors with good and valid professional licenses issued by states other than the State of Florida may render such services in Florida during this emergency for persons affected by this emergency with the condition that such services be rendered to such persons free of charge, and with the further

condition that such services be rendered under the auspices of the American Red Cross or the Florida Department of Health.

Section 9. Pursuant to section 501.160, Florida Statutes, it is unlawful and a violation of section 501.204, Florida Statutes, for a person to rent or sell or offer to rent or sell at an unconscionable price within the area for which the state of emergency is declared, any essential commodity including, but not limited to, supplies, services, provisions, or equipment that is necessary for consumption or use as a direct result of the emergency.

Section 10. Under the authority contained in sections 252.36(6)(a), (g), and (m), Florida Statutes, I direct that, for the purposes of this emergency, the term “essentials”, as defined by section 252.359(2), Florida Statutes, shall be the same as and no more expansive than the term “commodity”, as defined by section 501.160(1)(a), Florida Statutes (hereinafter referred to collectively or alternatively as “essential commodities”). Accordingly, any person who delivers essential commodities to a location in the area(s) declared to be under a state of emergency by this Executive Order, and when necessary to ensure that those commodities are made available to the public, may travel within evacuated areas and exceed curfews, provided the State Coordinating Officer determines, after consultation with the appropriate Emergency Support Function(s), that:

A. Law enforcement officials in the declared area(s) can provide adequate security to protect the essential commodities from theft;

B. The weight of a delivery vehicle will not jeopardize the structural integrity of any roadway or bridge located within the declared area;

C. Delivery vehicles will not negatively impact evacuation activities in the declared area(s); and

D. Delivery vehicles will not negatively impact any response or recovery activities occurring within the declared area(s).

After consulting with the appropriate Emergency Support Function(s), and after consulting with local officials, the State Coordinating Officer may dictate the routes of ingress, egress, and movement within the declared area(s) that drivers must follow when delivering essential commodities.

Provided he or she is actually delivering medications, any person authorized to deliver medications under chapter 893, Florida Statutes, qualifies as a person delivering essential commodities.

In order to qualify as a person delivering essential commodities under this section, a person must be in the process of delivering essential commodities only. If an individual is transporting both essential and non-essential commodities, then this section shall not provide any authorization for that individual to enter into or move within the declared area(s).

Section 11. Consistent with Executive Order 80-29, nothing in this Executive Order shall prevent local jurisdictions in any area not declared to be under a state of emergency by this Executive Order from taking prompt and necessary action to save lives and protect the property of their citizens, including the authority to compel and direct timely evacuation when necessary.

Section 12. I authorize the Florida Housing Finance Corporation to distribute funds pursuant to section 420.9073, Florida Statutes, to any county, municipality, or other political subdivision located within the area(s) declared to be under a state of emergency by this Executive Order. The authority of the Florida Housing Finance Corporation to distribute funds in connection with this emergency shall expire six months after the expiration of this Executive Order, including any extension thereof.

Section 13. Pursuant to sections 252.36(6)(b) and 252.35(2)(z), Florida Statutes, it is further ordered that all Disaster Debris Management Sites and landfills in all counties impacted by Hurricane Helene shall remain open and allow twenty-four-hour debris drop off.

Section 14. All actions taken by the Director of the Division of Emergency Management with respect to this emergency before the issuance of this Executive Order are ratified.

Section 15. This Executive Order is effective immediately and shall expire sixty (60) days from this date unless extended.



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 5th day of October, 2024.



RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



SECRETARY OF STATE

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**EXTENSION NO. 1
EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2024-03
HURRICANE MILTON**

WHEREAS, on October 5, 2024, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order No. 24-214, and Executive Order 24-215 amending Executive Order 24-214 dated Sunday October 6, 2024, declaring a state of emergency for several counties in the State of Florida, including Sarasota County in anticipation of the arrival of Hurricane Milton; and

WHEREAS, on October 7, 2024, the City Manager of the City of Venice enacted Executive Order No. 2024-03 declaring a Local State of Emergency and activating the City of Venice Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan to take certain measures in the interest of the public's health, safety, and welfare from the effects of Hurricane Helene; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 252.38, Florida Statutes, the limitation of an emergency declaration is seven (7) days, which may be extended in seven (7) day increments as necessary; and

WHEREAS, following the impacts of Hurricane Milton the recovery period is expected to continue for an undefined period of time and conditions still exist requiring the extension of the initial Declaration.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edward Lavallee, City Manager of the City of Venice, in accordance with the provisions of the State of Florida Office of the Governor Executive Order No. 24-215, Section 252.38, Florida Statutes, and Venice Executive Order No. 2024-03, hereby promulgate the following extension to the initial Declaration:

1. A Local State of Emergency continues to exist within the City of Venice due to Hurricane Helene.
2. The initial Declaration of Local State of Emergency signed on October 7, 2024, is hereby extended for a period of seven (7) days.
3. As a result of this extension, the Declaration of Local State of Emergency extends continuously from Monday, October 7, 2024, through Monday, October 21, 2024, inclusive.

DONE AND ORDERED this 14th day of October 2024, at Venice, Florida.



Edward F. Lavallee, City Manager
City of Venice, Florida

ATTEST:



Kelly Michaels, MMC
City Clerk

EXECUTIVE ORDER
No. 2024-03

AN EXECUTIVE ORDER DECLARING A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY AND ACTIVATING THE CITY OF VENICE COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN.

WHEREAS, Section 252.38(3)(a), Florida Statutes, gives authority to political 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, the State of Florida, Office of the Governor issued Executive Order Number 24-214 on Saturday, October 5, 2024, and Executive Order 24-215 amending Executive Order 24-214 dated, Sunday, October 6, 2024, declaring a state of emergency in multiple counties including Sarasota County, and Sarasota County issued a declaration of state of emergency on October 6, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Milton, located in the Gulf of Mexico, is forecast to become a major hurricane that may significantly affect gulf coast communities by mid-week; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Milton may cause catastrophic flooding and wind damage creating a threat of significant public and private financial loss and poses an immediate and present danger to the health and safety of the citizens of the City of Venice; and

WHEREAS, the storm necessitates the exercise of all reasonable preparatory, precautionary and remedial measures for some undefined period of time and constitutes a natural disaster for the City of Venice, warranting a declaration of an emergency pursuant to Section 252.38(3)(a), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the City of Venice has a municipal emergency management program, entitled "The City of Venice Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan" ("Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Executive Order is to implement the Plan and authorize all city officers, employees, and agents to perform their respective duties, functions, and obligations as set forth in such Plan, the State Emergency Management Act and the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement, and all other legal authority, under the general direction and control of the Incident Commander, as set forth in such Plan and law.

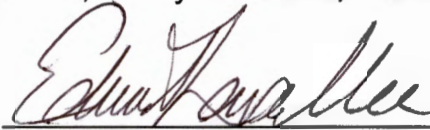
NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edward Lavallee, City Manager of the City of Venice, hereby issue the following Executive Orders:

1. A State of Local Emergency is hereby declared as of Monday, October 7, 2024, at 9 a.m., and the City of Venice Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan is hereby implemented.
2. Pursuant to Section 252.38(3)(a)5., Florida Statutes, the City has the power and authority

to waive the procedures and formalities otherwise required by law pertaining to:

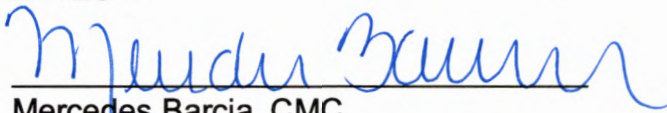
- a. Performance of public work and taking whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community.
 - b. Entering into contracts.
 - c. Incurring obligations.
 - d. Employment of permanent and temporary workers.
 - e. Utilization of volunteer workers.
 - f. Rental of equipment.
 - g. Acquisition and distribution, with or without compensation, of supplies, materials, and facilities.
 - h. Appropriation and expenditure of public funds.
3. For purposes of city union contracts (AFSCME, FOP, and IAFF), this State of Local Emergency shall be deemed a state of emergency pursuant to Chapter 26 of the city code.
 4. The Local State of Emergency shall remain in effect for a period of seven (7) days unless extended or cancelled before such time expires.
 5. Nothing herein shall be construed to conflict with applicable provisions of state law or the Sarasota County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan.

DONE AND ORDERED this 7th day of October, 2024, at City of Venice, Florida.



Edward Lavallee, City Manager
City of Venice, Florida

ATTEST:



Mercedes Barcia, CMC
Deputy City Clerk

**EXTENSION NO. 2
EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2024-02
HURRICANE HELENE**

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2024, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order No. 24-208 declaring a state of emergency for several counties in the State of Florida, including Sarasota County in anticipation of the arrival of Hurricane Helene; and

WHEREAS, on September 24, 2024, the Acting City Manager of the City of Venice enacted Executive Order No. 2024-02 declaring a Local State of Emergency and activating the City of Venice Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan to take certain measures in the interest of the public's health, safety, and welfare from the effects of Hurricane Helene; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 252.38, Florida Statutes, the limitation of an emergency declaration is seven (7) days, which may be extended in seven (7) day increments as necessary; and

WHEREAS, following the impacts of Hurricane Helene the recovery period is expected to continue for an undefined period of time and conditions still exist requiring the extension of the initial Declaration.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Edward Lavallee, City Manager of the City of Venice, in accordance with the provisions of the State of Florida Office of the Governor Executive Order No. 24-208, Section 252.38, Florida Statutes, and Venice Executive Order No. 2024-02, hereby promulgate the following extension to the initial Declaration:

1. A Local State of Emergency continues to exist within the City of Venice due to Hurricane Helene.
2. The initial Declaration of Local State of Emergency signed on September 24, 2024, is hereby extended for a period of seven (7) days.
3. As a result of this extension, the Declaration of Local State of Emergency extends continuously from Tuesday, September 24, 2024, through Tuesday, October 15, 2024, inclusive.

DONE AND ORDERED this 8th day of October 2024, at Venice, Florida.



Edward F. Lavallee, City Manager
City of Venice, Florida

ATTEST:



Kelly Michaels, MMC
City Clerk

EO No. 2024-02 Extension No. 2

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Hurricane Milton

Landfall



Hurricane Milton off St. Petersburg,
Florida

Ocean waves crashing along St. Pete Pier in St. Petersburg, Florida, as Hurricane Milton was expected to make landfall on the night of October 9, 2024.

At 4:00 PM on October 7 Milton reached peak intensity as a category 5 hurricane with sustained winds measuring 180 miles (290 km) per hour, before it weakened slightly. The next day Milton delivered a glancing blow to Mexico's Yucatán Peninsula, bringing torrential rainfall and a storm surge; however, the eye of the storm and its most damaging winds remained offshore. Milton's path was influenced by the development of another storm system to its northeast and north. By October 9 Milton was located over somewhat cooler waters in the eastern Gulf of Mexico. Combined with increasing wind shear (which prevents vertical cloud development), the cooler sea surface led to Milton's weakening, and the storm was downgraded to a category 3 as it neared the west coast of Florida. Milton made landfall at Siesta Key, Florida, near Sarasota, at 8:30 PM with maximum sustained winds of 120 miles (193 km) per hour, causing extensive damage across the Sarasota and Tampa Bay areas.

Milton tracked north and east across Florida, charting a path toward Cape Canaveral and Daytona Beach, which it reached on October 10. The storm continued eastward over the Atlantic, gradually losing strength, before it dissipated on October 12 south of Bermuda.

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