A DECLARATION OF THE CITY MANAGER OF THE CITY OF PORT ST. LUCIE, FLORIDA, DECLARING A STATE OF EMERGENCY (SEVERE RAINFALL EVENT).

WHEREAS, the City Manager has made the following determinations:

1. Chapter 98 of the City's Code of Ordinances authorizes the City Manager to exercise certain emergency powers and authority during a local emergency.

2. Since October 30, 2026, the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida has experienced ongoing severe and prolonged rainfall, resulting in substantial flooding, saturated drainage systems, hazardous road conditions and closures, and threats to public infrastructure throughout the City ("Event").

3. The ongoing conditions resulting from the Event have caused the City to remain in a state of local emergency, placing its residents and property at risk.

4. St. Lucie County has issued a countywide declaration imposing a state of local emergency, effective November 2, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Chapter 98 of the City's Code of Ordinances, the City Manager hereby declares as follows:

A. A state of emergency is hereby declared for the City of Port St. Lucie, Florida.

B. Such declaration shall remain in full force and effect for seven (7) days unless extended in seventy-two (72) hour increments with the concurrence of the City Council or sooner rescinded by the City Council or the City Manager.

C. During this state of emergency, the City Manager may exercise all emergency powers in accordance with Florida Statutes and Chapter 98 of the City's Code of Ordinances including (but not limited to): i) imposing a curfew; ii) closing City Hall and any other City Government building within the jurisdiction and control

of the City if necessary; iii) acting on behalf of the City in accordance with Chapter 252, Florida Statutes; and iv) implementing appropriate emergency plans and procedures and taking such other prompt and necessary action to save lives and protect property.

D. As of the date of this declaration, the St. Lucie County landfill is closed but is anticipated to reopen on November 3, 2026. Until officially reopened, residents are directed not to place trimming vegetation, bulky items, garbage or recycling out for collection.

This declaration shall become effective on the 2nd day of November 2026, at 5:00 p.m.

Jesus Merejo, City Manager