

ATTACHMENT A. SAMPLE EVACUATION ORDER

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. \_\_\_\_\_

**WHEREAS**, the coastline of the State of South Carolina has been placed under a Tsunami Warning by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) National Tsunami Warning Center and it is estimated that the wave will arrive here at approximately \_\_\_\_\_ AM/PM; and

**WHEREAS**, the undersigned has been advised that this tsunami wave represents a significant threat to the State of South Carolina, which requires that the State take timely precautions to protect and preserve property, critical infrastructure, communities, and the general safety and welfare of the people of this State; and

**WHEREAS**, as the elected Chief Executive of the State, the undersigned is authorized pursuant to section 25-1-440 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended to direct and compel the evacuation of all or part of the populace from any stricken or threatened area if such action is considered necessary for the preservation of life or other emergency mitigation, response, or recovery; and

**WHEREAS**, upon consultation with the South Carolina Emergency Management Division (“EMD”) and other authorities, the undersigned has determined that an evacuation is necessary for the preservation of life in and surrounding the threatened areas or for other emergency mitigation, response, or recovery efforts.

**NOW THEREFORE**, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Governor, pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of this State and the powers conferred upon me therein, effective at \_\_\_\_\_ AM/PM, \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, I hereby declare that a State of Emergency exists in South Carolina. Accordingly, for the foregoing reasons and in accordance with the cited authorities and other applicable law, I further order and direct as follows:

**Section 1.** I hereby activate the South Carolina Emergency Operations Plan (“Plan”) and direct that the Plan be placed into effect and that all prudent preparations be taken at the individual, local, and state levels to protect against the possible effects of this tsunami wave.

**Section 2.** I hereby place specified units and/or personnel of the South Carolina National State Guard on State Active Duty, pursuant to section 25-1-1840 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended, and direct the Adjutant General to issue the requisite supplemental orders. I further order the activation of South Carolina National Guard personnel and the utilization of appropriate equipment at the discretion of the Adjutant General, and in coordination with the Director of the South Carolina Emergency Management Division, to take necessary and prudent actions to assist the people of this State.

**Section 3.** I hereby order Dual Status Command to allow the Adjutant General or his designee to serve as commander over both federal (Title 10) and state forces (National Guard in Title 32 and/or State Active Duty Status) as necessary.

**Section 4.** I hereby order that all licensing requirements and registration requirements regarding private security personnel or companies who are contracted with South Carolina security companies in protecting property and restoring essential services in South Carolina shall be suspended, and I direct the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (“SLED”) to initiate an emergency registration process for those personnel or companies for a period specified, and in a manner deemed appropriate, by the Chief of SLED.

**Section 5.** I hereby declare that the prohibitions against price gouging pursuant to section 39-5-145 of the South Carolina Code of Laws are in effect and shall remain in effect for the duration of this State of Emergency.

**Section 6.** I hereby order the evacuation, effective at \_\_\_\_\_ AM/PM, \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, of all persons located in the following Evacuation Zones, which are further detailed in **Exhibit A:** \_\_\_\_\_ [INSERT EVACUATION ZONES HERE] \_\_\_\_\_, with the exception of those critical or emergency response personnel, as designated by the appropriate municipal, county, or special purpose district officials, necessary to provide essential services during or immediately following the event. All other persons are ordered to evacuate the affected areas as expeditiously as possible.

Any persons or non-emergency management personnel who remain in the Evacuation Zones, and any medical facilities, nursing home facilities, businesses, or other entities that allow or require persons under their charge to remain in the Evacuation Zones are responsible for the safety and well-being of themselves and of those under their charge. Any such persons or entities are hereby charged with the knowledge that should they need assistance of emergency personnel or services, those personnel or services may not be available or capable of rendering aid. Persons

in other areas near the projected area of the tsunami wave should take all precautions necessary to ensure their protection from the tsunami wave or any resulting flooding or consequential impacts.

**Section 7.** I hereby direct that specified units of the South Carolina National Guard, at the discretion of the Adjutant General and in consultation with the Director of the EMD, may remain on duty to assist civil authorities in these areas, including Emergency Support Functions 13 and 16, the South Carolina Department of Public Safety (“DPS”), and the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (“SLED”), with such personnel taking all reasonable and necessary precautions for the preservation of life and property. The South Carolina National Guard may supplement units as needed, and DPS may remain on duty and available to assist with all traffic control points as necessary and assigned.

This Order is effective immediately. Further proclamations and directives deemed necessary to ensure the fullest protection of life and property during this State of Emergency shall be issued orally by the undersigned and thereafter reduced to writing within the succeeding 24-hour period. This State of Emergency shall remain in effect for a period of fifteen (15) days unless otherwise amended or rescinded by subsequent Order.

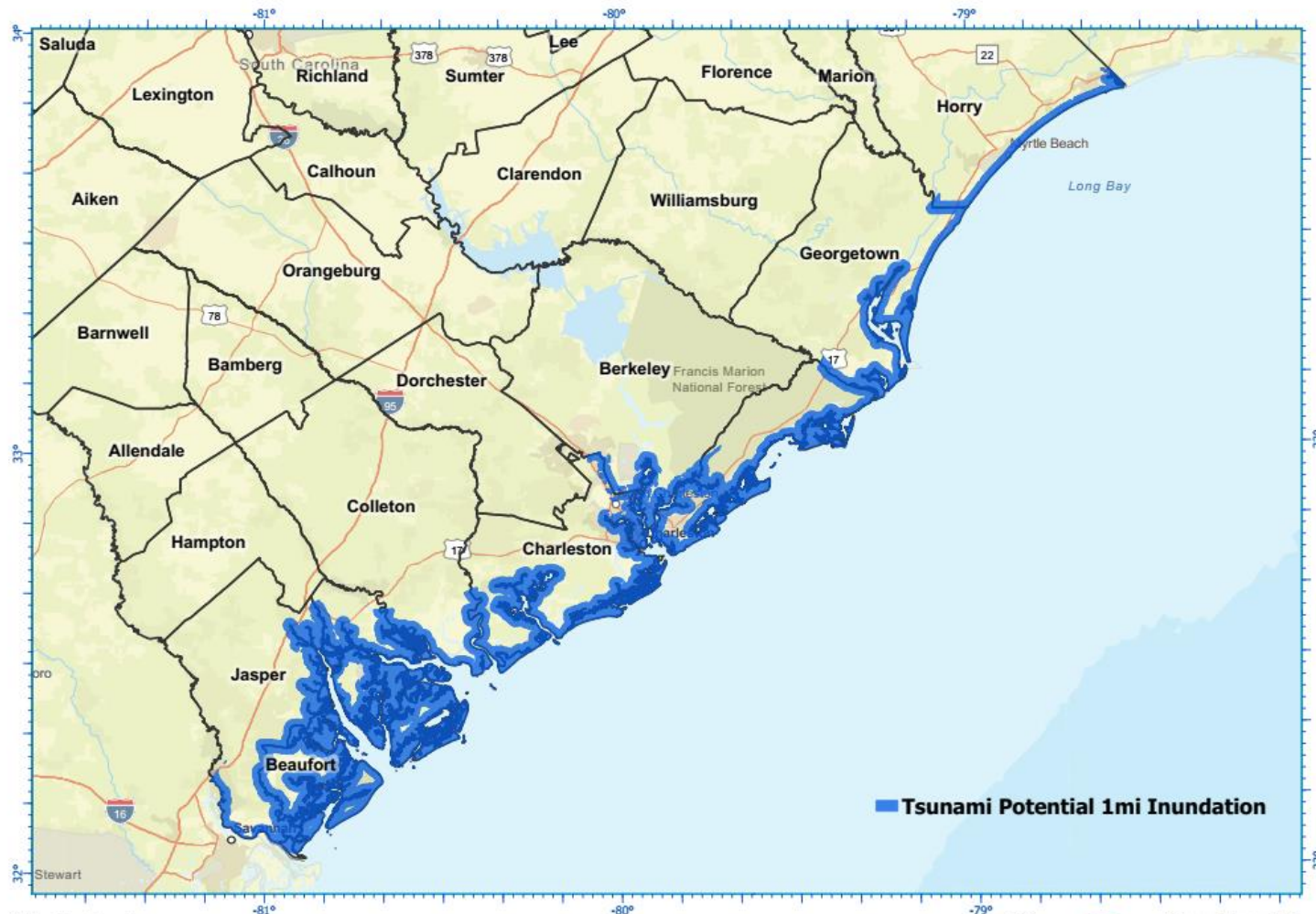
Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of South Carolina at Columbia, South Carolina this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_.

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Governor

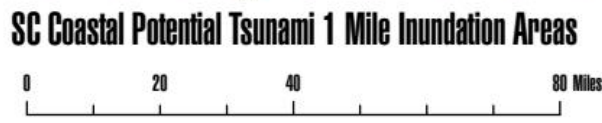
ATTEST:

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Secretary of State

EXHIBIT A TO ATTACHMENT A. EVACUATION ZONES



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SC Coastal Potential Tsunami 1 Mile Inundation Areas



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