

RESOLUTION 26-_____

**AN EMERGENCY ORDER, RESOLUTION AND
PROCLAMATION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS OF OKALOOSA COUNTY,
FLORIDA, RESCINIDNG THE REQUIREMENT
FOR ALL VISITORS, TOURISTS AND NON-RESIDENTS
TO EVACUATE OKALOOSA COUNTY IN RESPONSE TO
ANTICIPATED LOCAL EMERGENCY CONDITONS
REGARDING HURRICANE ISAIAS; PROVIDING AN
EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, Okaloosa County is a political subdivision of the State of Florida, and pursuant to Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, "State of Florida Emergency Management Act" and Okaloosa County Code of Ordinances Section 9-42, is authorized to find and declare a local state of emergency in Okaloosa County and exercise those powers conferred by Chapter 252 and the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of Florida issued a declaration of emergency for all, or a portion of, the State of Florida, Executive Order 26-202, declaring that a state of emergency exists for multiple counties in Florida, near to or including Okaloosa County in-futuro; and

WHEREAS, a local state of emergency was declared, pursuant to Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, which authorizes the waiver of procedures and formalities otherwise required by law for a political subdivision to take whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure health, safety and welfare of the community in the event of a state of emergency, and Okaloosa County Code of Ordinances Section 9-42, because of the severe threat that Hurricane Isaias posed to Okaloosa County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Isaias produced life-threatening conditions in Okaloosa County including, but not limited to, winds and/or gusts ranging from tropical storm to hurricane strength, excessive rainfall, both aerial and storm-surge flooding; and

WHEREAS, the immediate life-safety conditions resulting from the impact of Hurricane Isaias including, but not limited to, public utilities, public buildings, public communication systems, public streets and roads, public drainage systems, commercial and residential buildings and areas, have been mitigated sufficiently to the point that residents and proprietors should be allowed to return to their homes and businesses to initiate any necessary emergency protective measures, insurance claims and other assessments.

BE IT RESOLVED AND DECLARED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF OKALOOSA COUNTY as follows:

1. In accordance with the provisions of Okaloosa County Code of Ordinances Section 9-42, and Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, the Board of County Commissioners hereby rescinds the previously issued evacuation orders, effective at 12 p.m. on Sunday, October 11th, 2026, affecting all persons in the following portions and elements of Okaloosa County, Florida:

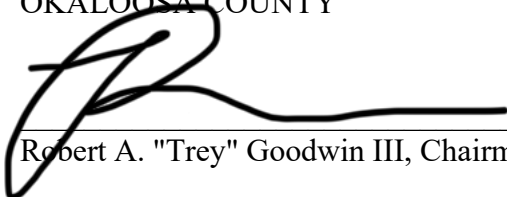
All visitors, tourists and non-residents of Okaloosa County

2. The previous Order/Resolution is rescinded.

3. This Resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

DULY ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners this day of October,
2026.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
OKALOOSA COUNTY



Robert A. "Trey" Goodwin III, Chairman

ATTEST:

Brad E. Embry, Clerk