

RESOLUTION _____

A RESOLUTION AND PROCLAMATION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF OKALOOSA COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROCLAIMING THE EXISTENCE OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY REGARDING IMPACTS FROM THE STORM SYSTEM DESIGNATED INVEST 92L (FUTURE TROPICAL STORM OR 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 Ordinance No. 91-23, as amended, 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 weather system presently identified as Invest 92L (Future Tropical Storm or Hurricane Isaias) by the National Hurricane Center poses a serious threat to the residents and property of Okaloosa County; and

WHEREAS, Invest 92L has the potential for causing substantial damage to public utilities, public buildings, public communication systems, public streets and roads, public drainage systems, commercial and residential buildings and areas; and

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service has warned that the area could receive potential flash and riverine flooding at a "significant" level in addition to a storm surge vertical rise of coastal waters in the 3 feet to 6 feet range accompanied by tropical storm to hurricane-force winds; and

WHEREAS, the impacts of Invest 92L are forecast to include the panhandle region in Florida, but elsewhere in other states, and the Florida Division of Emergency Management has initiated County Briefing Calls for resource needs and emergency protective measures within the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, Okaloosa County has engaged in initiating emergency protective measures; and

WHEREAS, Okaloosa County Ordinance No. 91-23, as amended, and Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, set forth provisions to ensure the readiness of the County, provide for the protection of the public health, safety, and welfare, and preserve the lives and property of the people of the County in the face of a natural or manmade disaster.

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

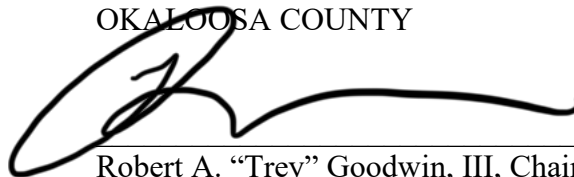
1. In accordance with the provisions of Okaloosa County Ordinance No. 91-23, as amended, and Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, the Board of County Commissioners hereby declares a local state of emergency from Invest 92L, and waives all procedures or formalities authorized and invokes all powers provided in accordance with said Statutes and Ordinance and pursuant to this Declaration.

2. This Resolution shall remain in effect for seven (7) full twenty-four hour periods from the date and hour adopted.

3. This Resolution shall become effective upon adoption.

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

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
OKALOOSA COUNTY

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Trey', is written over a horizontal line.

Robert A. "Trey" Goodwin, III, Chairman or
by the Designated County Official

ATTEST:

Brad E. Embry
Clerk

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL
FORM AND SUFFICIENCY:

Lynn M. Hoshihara
County Attorney