

**CITY OF SANIBEL
RESOLUTION 24-072**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANIBEL, FLORIDA,
AUTHORIZING TEMPORARY STORAGE UNITS THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2025; AND
PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, on September 26, 2022, the City Council of the City of Sanibel passed Resolution No. 22-054, declaring a State of Local Emergency, based upon the severe threat to the health, safety, and welfare of the City posed by Hurricane Ian; and

WHEREAS, the City's declaration followed similar declarations of emergency by Governor Ron DeSantis, President Joseph Biden, Jr., and the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County; and

WHEREAS, on the morning of September 27, 2022, Lee County issued a mandatory evacuation order, which included the entirety of the territory within the municipal limits of the City of Sanibel; and

WHEREAS, on September 28, 2022, Hurricane Ian made landfall in Lee County as a Category 4 hurricane, causing catastrophic property damage and loss of life; and

WHEREAS, damages directly impacting the City of Sanibel included widespread damage and destruction of infrastructure, public property, and private property; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 22 of the Sanibel Code of Ordinances authorizes and empowers the Mayor to issue public proclamations declaring a State of Local Emergency; and, during a state of emergency, impose certain prohibitions and restrictions to protect lives, safety, and property; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 22-054 declared an initial State of Local Emergency for a 7-day term, which State of Local Emergency has been extended continuously by Mayoral Proclamations since the initial issuance; and

WHEREAS, based upon the severity of the impacts of Hurricane Ian, extensions of the State of Local Emergency have been necessary and appropriate to maintain order and to safeguard property and the safety, health, and welfare throughout the City of Sanibel; and

WHEREAS, authorization for temporary storage units was put into effect through Mayoral Proclamation and remains in the best interests of the City and continues to provide relief for those owners who suffered the most significant damages from Hurricane Ian; and

WHEREAS, authorization for temporary storage units was then permitted by Resolution 24-03 through September 30, 2024, and

WHEREAS, following declarations of emergency by Governor Ron DeSantis, President Joseph Biden, Jr., and the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, on September 24, 2024, the Mayor of the City of Sanibel issued Mayoral Proclamation 24-40, declaring a State of Local Emergency, based upon the severe threat to the health, safety, and welfare of the City posed by Hurricane Helene; and

WHEREAS, on September 26, 2024, Hurricane Helene impacted the City of Sanibel with significant storm surge and high winds, inundating beach parking areas, other public property and infrastructure, and causing significant private property damage; and

WHEREAS, based upon the severity of the impacts of Hurricane Helene, extensions of the State of Local Emergency by Mayoral Proclamation, and certain beach parking closures and other restrictions have been, and continue to be, necessary and appropriate to maintain order and to safeguard property and the safety, health, and welfare throughout the City of Sanibel; and

WHEREAS, following declarations of emergency by Governor Ron DeSantis, President Joseph Biden, Jr., and the Board of County Commissioners of Lee County, on October 6, 2024, the Mayor of the City of Sanibel issued Mayoral Proclamation 24-44, declaring a State of Local Emergency, based upon the severe threat to the health, safety, and welfare of the City posed by Hurricane Milton; and

WHEREAS, on October 9, 2024, Hurricane Milton impacted the City of Sanibel with significant storm surge and high winds, causing island-wide power outages, inundating beach parking areas, other public property and infrastructure, and causing significant private property damage, and

WHEREAS, approval of this resolution will ensure the continuation of such authorization for temporary storage units through September 30, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANIBEL, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. Properties with one or more dwelling units damaged by Hurricanes Ian, Helene, or Milton, that have not yet completed necessary repairs are hereby authorized, without a permit, to place up to two (2) temporary storage units on a developed portion of their property, effective through September 30, 2025, so long as the storage units are no longer than 16 feet nor any taller nor wider than eight feet.

SECTION 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED IN OPEN AND REGULAR SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANIBEL, FLORIDA THIS 12TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2024.

Attest:

Scotty Lynn Kelly, City Clerk

Richard Johnson, Mayor

Approved as to form and legality:

John D. Agnew, City Attorney

Date filed with City Clerk: _____

Vote of Council Members:

Johnson	_____
Miller	_____
Henshaw	_____
Smith	_____
DeBruce	_____