



St. Tammany Parish Government **EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER**

Executive Order

Emergency Operations Center Contact: 985-898-2359

EXECUTIVE ORDER DECLARING PARISH-WIDE STATE OF EMERGENCY AS PER THE LOUISIANA HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE AND DISASTER ACT, LA. R.S. 29:721 ET SEQ. AS TO THE EFFECTS OF TROPICAL STORM NATE.

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act, LA R.S. 29:721, *et seq.*, confers upon the Governor of the State of Louisiana emergency powers to prepare and cope with emergencies and disasters, including those caused by fire, flood, earthquake or other natural or manmade causes, in order to ensure that preparations will be adequate to cope with such emergencies or disasters and to preserve the lives and property of the people of the State of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, when the Governor determines that a disaster or emergency has occurred, or the threat thereof is imminent, LA R.S. 29:724(B)(1) empowers him to declare a state of emergency by executive order or proclamation; and

WHEREAS, Tropical Storm Nate is currently located in Gulf of Mexico, moving northwest towards Southeast Louisiana and poses a threat to the coastal parishes and inland parishes. Governor Edwards has issued Executive Order No. 126 JBE 2017 declaring a state of emergency as to the impending onset of Tropical Storm Nate; and

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service predicts this storm to develop into at least a Category 1 hurricane at landfall, which could impact the State of Louisiana and, particularly, St. Tammany Parish causing coastal flooding and damage due to high winds; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the impact of Tropical Storm Nate, Patricia P. Brister, as Parish President of St. Tammany Parish, heretofore invokes all rights and duties afforded her under LA R.S. 29:721 *et seq.* and 29:727 (D) and all other applicable statutes and regulations, until further notice; and

WHEREAS, St. Tammany Parish Government, through Patricia P. Brister, as Parish President, is empowered to take all necessary measures to ensure the continued safety, health and welfare of the citizens of St. Tammany, as per law; and,

WHEREAS, the effect of the emergency upon all of St. Tammany's people and property requires action by St. Tammany Parish Government to offset the irreparable damages caused by the Tropical Storm Nate; and

WHEREAS, the Parish President has initiated action, with the assistance of Parish Council members, to combat the devastating effects of the Tropical Storm Nate; and

WHEREAS, continued action by the St. Tammany Parish Government is mandatory to fulfill the needs of the people of this Parish until such time as the state of emergency of this Parish has subsided.

IT IS ORDERED that pursuant the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act, LA R.S. 29:721, *et seq.*, specifically LA R.S. 29:727 (D), a Parish-wide state of emergency is declared as a result of the Tropical Storm Nate which has created emergency conditions that threaten the safety of the citizens of this Parish; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Patricia P. Brister, as Parish President, maintains the authority to assume total control of the Parish including, but not limited to, all private and public properties and utilities



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STATE OF LOUISIANA PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY
MELISSA R. HENRY CLERK OF COURT
I certify that this instrument was filed and recorded
October 6 2017 at 10:02AM
INST # _____ of the official records.
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DEPUTY CLERK



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necessary to ensure the safety, health and welfare of the citizens and property of this Parish and to issue all necessary orders; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Office of the Parish President invokes all rights and remedies afforded it under all the laws and constitutions of the United States and State of Louisiana; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Office of the Parish President invokes all rights and remedies afforded it under Louisiana Revised Statutes; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Office of the Parish President invokes all rights and remedies afforded it under the St. Tammany Parish Code of Ordinances; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any person or entity who interrupts or interferes with the control of the Parish and/or Parish President shall be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the state of emergency shall be effective from Thursday October 5, 2017 until Saturday November 4th, 2017 unless terminated earlier.

At Mandeville, this 5th day of October 2017 at 7:11 p.m.

Handwritten signature of Patricia P. Brister in cursive.

Patricia P. Brister
Parish President

NOTICE POSTED AT:
St. Tammany Parish web-page: stpgov.org
and
21490 Koop Drive, Mandeville, La.
and
510 E. Boston Street, Covington, La.

Sworn and subscribed before me,

Handwritten signature of Kelly M. Rabalais in cursive.
Kelly M. Rabalais (Notary Public)

On this 5th day of October, 2017.

Handwritten signature of Kelly M. Rabalais in cursive.
LA BAR NO. 26705

COMMISSION EXPIRES AT DEATH