

## OFR 2024 - 654 (PROC)

Commissioner Russell C. Weigel, III

## PROCLAMATION (SECURITIES INDUSTRY)

I, Russell C. Weigel, Ill, Commissioner of the Office of Financial Regulation, do hereby acknowledge Executive Order 24-208, as amended by Executive Order 24-209, and Executive Order 24-214, as amended by Executive Order 24-215, declaring collectively a state of emergency for Alachua, Baker, Bay, Bradford, Brevard, Broward, Calhoun, Charlotte, Citrus, Clay, Collier, Columbia, DeSoto, Dixie, Duval, Escambia, Flagler, Franklin, Gadsden, Gilchrist, Glades, Gulf, Hamilton, Hardee, Hendry, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Holmes, Indian River, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Lake, Lee, Leon, Levy, Liberty, Madison, Manatee, Marion, Martin, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Nassau, Okaloosa, Okeechobee, Orange, Osceola, Palm Beach, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Putnam, Santa Rosa, Sarasota, Seminole, St. Johns, St. Lucie, Sumter, Suwannee, Taylor, Union, Volusia, Wakulla, Walton, and Washington counties due to the widespread destruction caused by recent Hurricanes Helene and Milton, both of which were determined to be major disasters. Section 4.B. of both executive orders authorize state agencies to "suspend the provisions of any regulatory statute prescribing the procedures for conduct of state business or the orders or rules of that agency, if strict compliance with the provisions of any such statute, order, or rule would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the emergency." Strict compliance with section 517.0616, Florida Statutes, as applied to transactions described in section 517.061(9), Florida Statutes, could negatively affect financial markets that are vital to ensuring the

availability of financial resources for recovery efforts and thus prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the emergency. Therefore, I authorize:

Suspension of the disqualification provisions of section 517.0616, Florida Statutes, to transactions described in section 517.061(9), Florida Statutes, until the expiration or rescission of Executive Orders 24-208 and 24-214, as amended, or further order, whichever is earlier.

Dated this 27<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2024.



Russell C. Weigel, II. Commissioner