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STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

IN RE: EXTENSION OF DBPR EMERGENCY ORDER 2022-01 AND SUSPENSION OF COSMETOLOGY DEADLINES

EMERGENCY ORDER 2022-05

WHEREAS, Hurricane Ian made landfall on the western Gulf Coast of Florida as a major hurricane and caused significant damage to various counties across the State;

WHEREAS, Hurricane Ian and the damage it caused poses a significant threat to the entire State of Florida and, as such, requires timely precautions to protect the communities, critical infrastructure, and general welfare of the State;

WHEREAS, the Governor, in recognition of and in response to this emergency, issued Executive Order 2022-218 on September 23, 2022, as amended by Executive Order 2022-219 on September 24, 2022, pursuant to the authority vested in him by article IV, section 1(a) of the Florida Constitution, the Emergency Management Act, as amended, and all other applicable laws;

WHEREAS, the Governor, in Executive Order 2022-218, as amended by Executive Order 2022-219, authorized each State agency to suspend the provisions of any regulatory statutes, orders, or rules of that agency if strict compliance with the provisions would prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with this emergency;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MELANIE S. GRIFFIN, Secretary of Florida's Department of Business and Professional Regulation ("Department"), pursuant to the authority granted by Executive Order 2022-218, as amended by Executive Order 2022-219, find that timely execution of the mitigation, response, and recovery aspects of the State's emergency management plan, as it relates to Hurricane Ian, is negatively impacted by the application of certain regulatory statutes related to the Department. Pursuant to this authority, I previously executed DBPR Emergency Order 2022-01, which suspended and tolled various deadlines to mitigate the burdens DBPR licensees and applicants faced

from Hurricane Ian. The previous deadlines in DBPR's Emergency Order 2022-01 are imminent, yet many applicants and licensees still face storm-related hardships, including the lack of internet service.

Therefore, I order the following:

 Paragraphs 1 through 8 of the Department's Emergency Order 2022-01 are extended until November 22, 2022;

2. Paragraphs 9 and 10 of the Department's Emergency Order 2022-01 remain in effect with the original deadline of October 31, 2022; and

3. The existing license renewal deadline of October 31, 2022, as established by Rule 61-6.001(4), Florida Administrative Code, is suspended and tolled through November 22, 2022, unless extended by subsequent order, for the following Cosmetology licenses: Cosmetologists, Nail Specialists, Facial Specialists and Full Specialists. Any existing renewal conditions related to the completion of hours of continuing education, as set forth in Rule 61G5-32.001, Florida Administrative Code, are also suspended and tolled through November 22, 2022. Licenses renewed on or before November 22, 2022, shall be considered timely and will not be assessed late fees.

Executed this day of October 2022, in Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida.

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

Melanie S. Griffin, Secretary 2601 Blair Stone Road

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Filed on this date, with The designated Agency Clerk, Receipt of which is hereby acknowledged.

Agency Clerk's Office

Date: 10 25 2022