



## OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

PROCLAMATION NUMBER 17 CLS 2020

*STATE OF EMERGENCY - HURRICANE DELTA*

**WHEREAS,** the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act, La. R.S. 29:721 *et seq.*, confers upon the President of the Parish of Jefferson powers to deal with emergencies and disasters, including those caused by fire, flood, earthquake or other natural or manmade causes, in order to ensure that the preparations of this parish will be adequate to respond to such emergencies or disasters and to preserve the lives and property of the people of the Parish of Jefferson; and

**WHEREAS,** La. R.S. 29:727(D) empowers the President of the Parish of Jefferson to declare a local disaster or emergency, which shall continue until the President finds that the threat of danger has been dealt with to the extent that emergency conditions no longer exist; and

**WHEREAS,** Hurricane Delta is forecast to enter the Gulf of Mexico late Tuesday and into early Wednesday eventually strengthening to a major hurricane in the central Gulf of Mexico; and

**WHEREAS,** the storm's track is expected to curve to the north later this week, which places Jefferson Parish within the National Hurricane Center Track Forecast Cone; and

**WHEREAS,** Hurricane Delta has the potential to generate heavy rainfall, damaging winds, and storm surge, which could bring about flooding, property damage, and utility interruptions; and

**WHEREAS,** on October 6, 2020, Governor John Bel Edwards issued Proclamation No. 133 JBE 2020, which declared a state of emergency to exist statewide as a result of the imminent threat of emergency conditions caused by Hurricane Delta; and

**WHEREAS,** to timely and effectively meet the dangers presented by the emergency, it is necessary to immediately effectuate measures to detect, prevent, prepare for, investigate, respond to, or recover from the emergency, and generally to preserve the lives and property of the people of the Parish of Jefferson.

**NOW THEREFORE, I, CYNTHIA LEE SHENG,** President of the Parish of Jefferson, by virtue of the authority vested by the laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

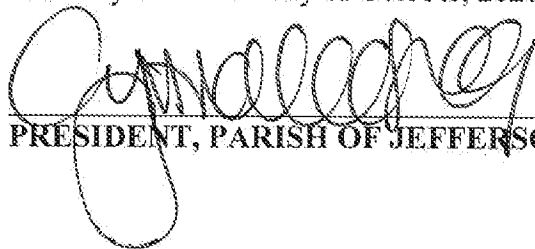
**SECTION 1:** Pursuant to the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act, La. R.S. 29:721 *et seq.*, a state of emergency is hereby declared to exist within and throughout the Parish of Jefferson including coastal areas and extending as far inland as may be impacted by Hurricane Delta, which has created emergency conditions that threaten the lives and property of the citizens of this Parish.



SECTION 2:

This order shall be effective at 7:30 p.m. on October 6, 2020.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2020.



PRESIDENT, PARISH OF JEFFERSON

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