



OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

PROCLAMATION NUMBER 14 CLS 2021

STATE OF EMERGENCY - TROPICAL DEPRESSION NINE

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, Tropical Depression Nine is forecast to enter the southeastern Gulf of Mexico late Friday and into early Saturday; and

WHEREAS, Tropical Depression Nine is expected to steadily strengthen, and has the potential to become a hurricane before making landfall; and

WHEREAS, Jefferson Parish is within the National Hurricane Center Track Forecast Cone for Tropical Depression Nine; and

WHEREAS, Tropical Depression Nine has the potential to generate storm surge, flash flooding, isolated tornados, and damaging winds; 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 Tropical Depression Nine, 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 4:30 p.m. on August 26, 2021.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially on this 26th day of August, 2021.

PRESIDENT, PARISH OF JEFFERSON

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