

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Section 45-17-1, *et seq.*, of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, authorizes the Mayor of a municipality to proclaim the existence of a civil emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, is authorized to declare a State of Emergency and to promulgate such rules, regulations, and orders as he deems necessary to protect life and property; and

WHEREAS, on May 9, 2019 at 6:03 a.m., the National Weather Service issued a flash flood report indicating that 2-3 inches of additional rain is expected threatening low lying and urban areas; and

WHEREAS, since the issuance of the National Weather Service's report, torrential rain has fell in the City of Jackson; and

WHEREAS, flooding has been observed in communities in the City of Jackson as a result of the torrential rains; and

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service's report also indicated that river flooding may increase;

WHEREAS, the conditions described are forecast to continue through Saturday, May 11, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the flooding has the potential to cause personal injuries, damage to homes, businesses, public property, and threaten the safety of the citizens and property of the City of Jackson, Mississippi and may require the exercise of extraordinary measures;

WHEREAS, flooding is a condition which meets the definition of a civil emergency pursuant to Section 45-17-1(2) of the Mississippi Code;

WHEREAS, in consideration of the health, safety, and welfare of the City's residents and the protection of their property within the affected areas, and in the public interest, all efforts should be taken to protect people and property;

WHEREAS, Section 45-17-11 empowers the Mayor of a municipality to issue such orders as are necessary for the protection of life and property;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Chokwe Antar Lumumba, Mayor of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 45-17-1, *et seq.*, of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, and in the public interest and for the general welfare of the City of Jackson, do hereby declare a **civil emergency** for the entire City of Jackson, and the state of the emergency will be reviewed every seven (7) days until such local emergency is no longer in effect and proclaimed terminated by the Mayor of the City of Jackson, State of Mississippi.

IT IS ORDERED that the Emergency Operations Center of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, place into effect the City of Jackson's Emergency Management Operations Plan.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all agencies and departments of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, shall render all possible assistance and discharge their emergency responsibilities and

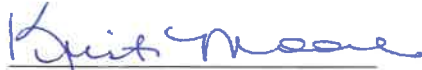
provide full cooperation with this Proclamation.

WITNESS MY HAND, on this 9th day of May 2019 at 1:15 p.m.



**CHOKWE A. LUMUMBA, MAYOR
CITY OF JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI**

ATTEST:



CITY CLERK

