## CITY OF DAPHNE, ALABAMA RESOLUTION 2025-27

## RESOLUTION TO DECLARE A STATE OF EMERGENCY RESULTING FROM APRIL 6, 2025, RAIN AND FLOOD EVENT

WHEREAS, the Alabama Emergency Management Act of 1955, as amended, confers upon the City Council of the City of Daphne the power to proclaim a state of emergency when a natural disaster of major proportions has occurred, see Ala. Code § 31-9-8; and

WHEREAS, on April 6, 2025, the City of Daphne, Alabama experienced an excessive rainfall and flash flooding event, with 10-12 inches of rain measured in some areas within the City; and

WHEREAS, the rain event resulted in significant damage to public and private property, impassable roads with vehicles stalled out, flooding of numerous structures including homes, and erosive avulsion of land; and

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes that a state of emergency now exists and is likely to continue to exist and has determined it is in the interest of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Daphne to declare a state of emergency and waive certain procedural formalities relating to such state of emergency.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

**THAT** the City Council of the City of Daphne declares a state of emergency as a result of the excessive rainfall and flooding event of April 6, 2025; and

THAT as a result of the existing and ongoing state of emergency, the City Council is waiving certain procedural formalities otherwise required by law, including but not limited to the performance of public works; entering into contracts; incurring obligations; employment of temporary workers; utilization of volunteer workers; rental of equipment; acquisition and distribution, with or without compensation, of supplies, materials, and facilities (including, but not limited to, fuel as needed by federal, state and local governmental entities, relief organizations, and law enforcement and fire departments); and appropriation and expenditure of public funds, all as they relate to said state of emergency and the resulting relief efforts; and

THAT the City Council affirms that such state of emergency went into effect at the beginning of shift on Sunday, April 6, 2025, and continued until end of shift on Monday evening, April 7, 2025, and authorizes the Mayor of the City to extend or rescind said state of emergency; and

**THAT** the City Council hereby vests the Mayor of the City with the authority to negotiate and/or authorize such efforts relating to the said state of emergency as may be necessary for the safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Daphne, Alabama.

DATED THIS THE 10th DAY OF APRIL, 2025.

Robin LeJeune, Mayor

ATTEST:

Candace G. Antinarella, MMC, City Clerk