

# STATE OF FLORIDA

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

### EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER 23-242

(Emergency Management – Extension of Executive Order 23-208 – Impacts of War in Israel)

**WHEREAS**, in the early morning hours of October 7, 2023, Iran-backed Hamas terrorists from Gaza and the surrounding region infiltrated Israel’s borders and began indiscriminately murdering, kidnapping, and raping innocent men, women, and children while additional Hamas terrorists located in the Gaza Strip simultaneously bombarded innocent Israeli communities with thousands of rockets; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 12, 2023, I issued Executive Order 23-208, declaring that a state of emergency exists for the State of Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, Florida acted swiftly to evacuate stranded Floridians from Israel and to protect the Jewish population in Florida from intimidation and threats of violence; and

**WHEREAS**, Executive Order 23-208 expires on December 11, 2023, unless extended; and

**WHEREAS**, an extension of Executive Order 23-208 is necessary to sustain ongoing efforts to protect Floridians from antisemitic intimidation and threats of violence relating to Hamas’s October 7 terrorist attack and the Government of Israel’s response thereto.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, RON DESANTIS**, as Governor of Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Article IV, Section 1(a) of the Florida Constitution and by the Florida Emergency Management Act, as amended, and all other applicable laws, promulgate the following Executive Order, to take immediate effect:

Section 1. The state of emergency and all provisions of Executive Order 23-208 are renewed for sixty (60) days following the date of this Executive Order.

Section 2. Except as amended herein, Executive Order 23-208 is ratified and reaffirmed.

Section 3. This Executive Order is effective immediately.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed, at Tallahassee, this 8th day of December, 2023.

  
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RON DESANTIS, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

  
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SECRETARY OF STATE

DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
TALLAHASSEE, FL

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