RESOLUTION NO. 2024-10

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE STATEWIDE MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT; MAKING RELATED FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Village of Estero is a Florida municipal corporation located in Lee County; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Emergency Management Act, Florida Statutes Chapter 252 (the Act), authorizes the State of Florida (the State) and its political subdivisions and municipal corporations to provide emergency aid and assistance to each other in the event of a disaster or emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Act also authorizes the State to coordinate the provision of any equipment, services, or facilities owned or organized by the State or its political subdivisions for use in the affected area upon the request of the duly constituted authority of the area; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution authorizes the request for and provision of interjurisdictional mutual assistance to the State and its political subdivisions and municipal corporations by the Village, as well as the request for and receipt by the Village of such assistance from the State, or its political subdivisions or municipal corporations, in accordance with the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council deems entering into this agreement to be in the best interests of the health, safety, and welfare of the community, and for the preservation of life and property during or after a disaster or emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ESTERO, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1.</u> In order to maximize the prompt, full and effective use of resources of all participating governments in the event of an emergency or disaster, the Village Council does hereby adopt the *Florida Division of Emergency Management Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement-2023* which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. In the event the State adopts a replacement agreement, the Village Manager is authorized to execute the replacement agreement without further Council action so long as the Village Manager determines the terms of such successor agreement are acceptable to the Village.

<u>Section 3.</u> The Village Manager is authorized to take all action necessary to comply with applicable budgeting, accounting, contracting, reporting, and other compliances requirements set forth in the Agreement.

<u>Section 4.</u> This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any section, subsection, sentence, clause, provision or word of this Resolution is held unconstitutional or otherwise legally invalid, same shall be severable and the remainder of this Resolution shall not be affected by such invalidity, such that any remainder of the Resolution shall withstand any severed provision, as the Village Council would have adopted the Resolution even absent the invalid part.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

DULY ADOPTED with a quorum present and voting this 19th of June, 2024.

Attest:

Carol Sacco, Village Clerk