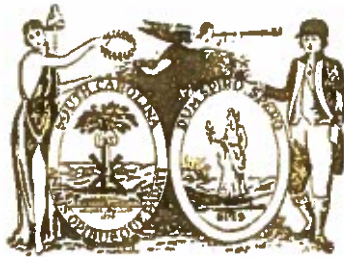


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Mark Hammond
SECRETARY OF STATE

Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO.

2016-37

WHEREAS, effective at 3:00 PM on October 5, 2016, the undersigned issued Executive Order 2016-31 ordering a mandatory evacuation of persons located in Zone A of Beaufort and Jasper counties because of the imminent danger imposed by Hurricane Matthew; and

WHEREAS, effective at 4:00 PM on October 6, 2016, the undersigned issued Executive Order 2016-33, ordering a mandatory evacuation of persons in Zone B of Beaufort County because of the imminent danger imposed by Hurricane Matthew; and

WHEREAS, it has been made known to me by county officials that the effects of Hurricane Matthew and conditions throughout this county no longer pose an imminent threat to the life, health, safety or welfare of residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, conditions now exist which justify allowing re-entry of persons into Beaufort County, Zones A and B, and Jasper County, Zone A, so that citizens may return to their homes and a state of normalcy as quickly as possible while South Carolina continues to recover from the devastating effects of Hurricane Matthew; and

WHEREAS, despite rescission of the order to evacuate Beaufort and Jasper counties, these counties may still identify and restrict areas of each county to insure the safety of residents and visitors.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Governor pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of South Carolina, I hereby rescind the evacuation provisions for Beaufort and Jasper counties as set forth in Executive Orders 2016-31 and 2016-33, effective at 6:30 PM, October 9, 2016.

FURTHER, all persons may now return to these counties.

FURTHER, pursuant to Executive Order 2016-35, this Order rescinds all medical evacuation orders regarding Beaufort and Jasper counties.

FURTHER, nothing in this order prohibits local officials from establishing a curfew or restricting access to areas of danger and thereby authorizes state officers to enforce local curfew for the welfare of and safety of residents and visitors during the recovery period.

FURTHER, all residents and visitors traveling in these counties should take due caution to travel safely across roads and bridges in returning, and understand that portions of these areas and/or their home may be without power.

FURTHER, this Order does not rescind evacuation orders for counties not listed.

This Order shall take effect immediately.



GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE
GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF
SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 9th DAY OF
OCTOBER, 2016



NIKKI R. HALEY
Governor

ATTEST:



MARK HAMMOND
Secretary of State