



St. Tammany Parish Government **EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER**

Executive Order

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**EXECUTIVE ORDER DECLARING PARISH-WIDE
STATE OF EMERGENCY AS PER THE LOUISIANA
HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE
AND DISASTER ACT, LA. R.S. 29:721 *ET SEQ.* AS TO THE
EFFECTS OF TROPICAL DEPRESSION NUMBER FIVE.**

WHEREAS, Governor Bobby Jindal has issued a Declaration of Emergency for the Louisiana Coastal Parishes due to the onset of Tropical Storm Number Five; and

WHEREAS, St. Tammany Parish is currently faced with an emergency due to the onset of Tropical Storm Number Five to the State of Louisiana and specifically, St. Tammany Parish; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the impact and eventual landfall of Tropical Storm Number Five, Kevin Davis, as Parish President of St. Tammany Parish, heretofore invokes all rights and duties afforded him under Louisiana Revised Statute 29:721 *et seq.* and all other applicable states and regulations, until further notice; and

WHEREAS, St. Tammany Parish Government, through Kevin Davis, as Parish President, is empowered to take all necessary measures to ensure the continued safety, health and welfare of the citizens of St. Tammany, as per law; and,

WHEREAS, the effect of the emergency upon all of St. Tammany's people and property requires action by St. Tammany Parish Government to offset the irreparable damages caused by wind and water; and

WHEREAS, as Tropical Storm Number Five pushes water inland, St. Tammany Parish is at an increased risk of oil contamination from the Deepwater Horizon Offshore Oil Leak; and

WHEREAS, the Parish President has initiated action, with the assistance of Parish Council members, to combat the devastating effects of the storm and potential oil contamination; and

WHEREAS, without immediate and thorough governmental intervention, the natural habitat and intrinsic character of St. Tammany Parish will be forever detrimentally impacted; and

WHEREAS, continued action by the Parish of St. Tammany is mandatory to fulfill the needs of the people of this Parish until such time as the state of emergency of this Parish has subsided.

IT IS ORDERED that there be a Parish-wide state of emergency as per law.

IT IS ORDERED that Kevin Davis, as Parish President, maintains the authority to assume total control of all private and public properties and utilities necessary to ensure the safety, health and welfare of the citizens and property of this Parish and to issue all necessary orders including, but not limited to the evacuation of the citizens of the Parish; and

IT IS ORDERED that the Office of the Parish President invokes all rights and remedies afforded it under all the laws and constitutions of the United States and State of Louisiana; and

IT IS ORDERED that the Office of the Parish President invokes all rights and remedies afforded it under Louisiana Revised Statutes; and