MONROE COUNTY
EMERGENCY DIRECTIVE #2017-

Subject: MANDATORY EVACUATION OF ALL RESIDENTS

WHEREAS, Governor Scott has issued Executive Order 17-235 declaring a state of emergency throughout the State of Florida due to the threat that Hurricane Irma poses to the State;

WHEREAS, a State of Local Emergency has been declared in and for Monroe County pursuant to Section 252.38(3)(a), Florida Statutes, and Monroe County Ordinance 028-1987 codified at Section 11-1 of the Monroe County Code due to the serious threat to public safety presented by Hurricane Irma, and

WHEREAS, the severity of this event dictates that the only prudent way to protect the public safety and welfare of residents is to evacuate from the county,

WHEREAS, F.S. 252.50 makes it a criminal offense to violate this or any other order issued during a declared state of emergency.

NOW THEREFORE, I hereby order an mandatory evacuation to begin at 7 p.m. on Wednesday September 6, 2017 of all residents from the entire county until further notice. All visitors and non-residents are hereby urged to seek safe shelter in mainland Florida. This evacuation order shall remain in effect until the danger has past, as determined by the Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem, or Sheriff after consultation with the Director of Emergency Management.

Signed: 
Monroe County Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem or Sheriff

Date: 9/5/17
Time 11:55a

Approved in advance as to Form.
Robert B. Shillinger, County Attorney