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OFFICE OF THE VILLAGE MANAGER

LETTER TO COUNCIL

NO. 098-2019

TO: Mayor Gabriel Groisman and Members of the Village Council

FROM: Jorge M. Gonzalez, Village Manager

DATE: June 7, 2019

SUBJECT: **Hurricane Season and Annual Tabletop Exercise**

The purpose of this Letter to Council is to advise you that the 2019 Hurricane Season is underway, running from June 1, 2019 through November 30, 2019.

Integral to my responsibilities as Village Manager is the direction of emergency management functions for the Village. As a result, I have been working closely with my staff in ensuring we are prepared to provide the most effective public safety response to our residents and visitors. As we do each year, I have directed staff to ensure that all necessary preparations are underway.

As part of these efforts, all Village Department Directors and key members of the staff will be participating in a comprehensive hurricane tabletop training exercise, involving a category 4 hurricane making a direct landfall on the Village. The exercise is designed to enlist teamwork in resolving the complex issues that may arise post landfall, which will require all our staff to interact with a variety of stakeholder groups.

In addition, the main focus in the upcoming Village newsletter will provide relevant information about preparing for the Hurricane Season.

If you have any questions or need additional information please feel free to contact me.

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