



STATE OF FLORIDA

DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

RICK SCOTT
Governor

BRYAN W. KOON
Director

Dear Law Enforcement Partners:

Thank you for the work you are doing to keep our communities safe. Your dedication is an integral part of Florida's response and recovery.

While curfew applications are necessary to keep our individual citizens safe and reduce the demands placed on law enforcement officers, they can, at times, slow an impact area's economic recovery. Because of this, the Governor's recent Executive Order specifically exempts from curfew hours those entities transporting and preparing emergency commodities for availability to the public. This includes product delivery, as well as the personnel necessary to assess and secure the location, stock the emergency commodities and prepare to facilitate the sales.

The state alone cannot fulfill the recovery needs of our citizens. We depend on retailers to make available the goods and services people need to recover. Allowing retailers to access their facilities will allow them to open more quickly. Additionally, retailers are reporting break-ins and looting in several areas. Private sector re-entry can help reduce these instances of looting.

We have instructed the retail community that their deliveries, service providers and sales associates need to be prepared with Government Issue ID, proof of employment and employer authorization that explains the necessity for re-entry. A work or bill of lading, email or text message requiring work or delivery would be enough for the letter of authorization requirement. This documentation can be printed or electronic. As long as the roads are safe to travel and your officers deem the environment reasonably safe enough for retail staff to enter and tend to their stores, allowing their specific re-entry would be extremely beneficial to an area's economic recovery. The Governor's Executive Order allows for this consideration, and it would be of great benefit to every member of that community.

Thank you for your partnership in this effort.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bryan W. Koon".

Bryan W. Koon
Division of Emergency Management