



September 3, 2019

The Honorable Jim Zingale
Executive Director
Florida Department of Revenue
2450 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, FL 32311

Dear Executive Director Zingale,

On behalf of thousands of Florida taxpayers and CPA practitioners, I would like to ask for your immediate assistance in providing any and all additional tax relief available for those already impacted by Hurricane Dorian. Under the authority provided to you in Section 4 of Governor Ron DeSantis' Executive Order Number 19-189 and amendment 19-190, I would ask that relief be granted for any upcoming reporting requirements for Florida taxpayers. **We would specifically ask that the reporting requirements enacted by House Bill 7127 and enforced under s. 220.27, F.S. be suspended for at least the designated 60 day effective period outlined in the Order.**

Floridians planned for the worst possible impact of Hurricane Dorian and all 67 counties made preparations to protect their businesses and loved ones. As you know, the timeframe for taxpayers to comply with the September 3 deadline was already challenging for many businesses and practitioners. I have received countless calls from our members asking for relief for upcoming deadlines due to the disruption to business services that the storm has already caused. These are professionals who are working diligently to ensure that they meet their obligations to their clients and comply with deadline before them.

We are grateful for all the hard work that our Governor and the President have done to ensure relief reaches our state quickly. In that same spirit, I would ask for your thoughtful consideration and that the additional relief that I have requested be granted.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please contact me directly at 850-545-3656 or through email at deborah@ficpa.org

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Deborah Curry".

Deborah Curry, CPA, CGMA
President/CEO

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CC: The Honorable Ron DeSantis, Governor
The Honorable Ashley Moody, Attorney General
The Honorable Jimmy Patronis, Chief Financial Officer
The Honorable Nikki Fried, Agriculture Commissioner
The Honorable George Gainer, Chairman, Senate Finance & Tax Committee
The Honorable Joe Gruters, CPA, Vice Chairman, Senate Finance & Tax Committee
The Honorable Bryan Avila, Chairman, House Ways & Means Committee
The Honorable Michael Grant, Chairman, House Way & Means Committee
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