

Executive Order No. 2016-38

WHEREAS, October 9, 2016, the undersigned issued Executive Order 2016-32 ordering a mandatory evacuation of persons located in Zone A of Georgetown and Horry counties because of the imminent danger imposed by Hurricane Matthew; and

WHEREAS, it has been made known to me by county officials that the effects of Hurricane Matthew and conditions throughout these counties no longer pose an imminent threat to the life, health, safety or welfare of residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, conditions now exist which justify allowing re-entry of persons into Zones A of Georgetown and Horry counties so that citizens may return to their homes and a state of normalcy as quickly as possible while South Carolina continues to recover from the devastating effects of Hurricane Matthew; and

WHEREAS, despite rescission of the order to evacuate Georgetown and Horry counties, these counties may still identify and restrict areas of each county to insure the safety of residents and visitors.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me as Governor pursuant to the Constitution and Laws of South Carolina, effective at 8:00 AM, October 10, 2016, I hereby rescind the evacuation provisions for Georgetown and Horry counties as set forth in Executive Order 2016-32.

FURTHER, all persons may now return to these counties.

FURTHER, pursuant to Executive Order 2016-35, this Order rescinds all medical evacuation orders regarding Georgetown and Horry counties.

FURTHER, nothing in this order prohibits local officials from establishing a curfew or restricting access to areas of danger and thereby authorizes state officers to enforce local curfew for the welfare of and safety of residents and visitors during the recovery period.

FURTHER, all residents and visitors traveling in these counties should take due caution to travel safely across roads and bridges in returning, and understand that portions of these areas and/or their home may be without power.

FURTHER, with this Order all general and medical evacuation orders associated with the State of Emergency issued in Executive Order 2016-26 on October 4, 2016, are hereby rescinded. This shall include Executive Orders 2016-27, 2016-30, 2016-31, 2016-32, and 2016-33.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

**GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE GREAT
SEAL OF THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
THIS 10th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2016.**

**NIKKI R. HALEY
Governor**