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ADOR Providing Tax Relief to Victims of Hurricane Florence

MONTGOMERY, Sept. 17, 2018 – The Alabama Department of Revenue is offering tax relief to Alabama taxpayers who have been affected by damage caused by Hurricane Florence. The tax relief measures will mirror IRS measures in the same declared disaster areas.

"Our thoughts and good wishes continue to be with the millions of people who have been affected by recent disastrous storms, including Hurricane Florence," said Revenue Commissioner Vernon Barnett. "The Alabama Department of Revenue is offering this tax relief to hopefully help ease some of the burden on victims as they begin the process of rebuilding."

ADOR will grant filing extensions to taxpayers directly affected by Hurricane Florence. Alabama taxpayers residing in areas designated as disaster areas by the federal government have until Jan. 31, 2019, to file tax returns due on or after Sept. 7, 2018, and before Jan. 31, 2019. Penalty relief will be provided during the extension period. Taxpayers seeking this Alabama tax relief should write "Florence Relief – 2018" in red ink on any state paper return/report which relies on this filing extension relief. Affected taxpayers filing electronically should contact ADOR for filing guidance. Taxpayers may contact the following ADOR offices by telephone:

- Individual Income Tax: 334-353-0602
- Corporate Income Tax: 334-242-1200
- Pass-through Entities: 334-242-1033
- Sales and Use Tax: 334-242-1490
- Business Privilege Tax: 334-353-7923
- Withholding Tax: 334-242-1300

For more information on this relief, including a list of the eligible localities, view the IRS announcement at <u>https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/tax-relief-in-disaster-situations</u>. Parts of North Carolina are currently eligible, but taxpayers in localities added later to the disaster area, including those in other states, will automatically receive the same filing and payment relief. The current list of eligible localities is always available on the disaster relief page on IRS.gov.

In addition, taxpayers in areas not specifically designated as disaster areas who encounter difficulty filing on time due to weather-related circumstances associated with Hurricane Florence may be eligible to request a waiver of late-filing and late-payment penalties after providing appropriate documentation to ADOR.

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