TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES ELDERLY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

2017 HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS ASSISSTANCE PROGRAM

FOR SENIORS ("JERRY'S SQUAD")

I. SENIORS' ELIGIBILITY

Seniors who would need assistance with hurricane shutters on ground story homes, and/or bringing outdoor furniture and planters indoors.

II. APPLICATION

Application is submitted on an **annual** basis. Seniors must fill out an application listing names, address, contact information and indicate the type of assistance needed. Applications for 2017 must be submitted by **May 15, 2017**. Applications will be reviewed by the EAC on **May 16, 2017** to determine if the applicant meets eligibility requirements. The applicant will be interviewed during the week of **May 22, 2017** and notified of **acceptance** to the Program. The applicant will be required to sign a Liability Waiver.

III. NOTIFICATION OF ASSISTANCE

HURRICANE WATCH: Qualifying Seniors will be contacted by a Volunteer to set up an appointment for their necessary assistance if a Hurricane Warning is issued.

HURRICANE WARNING: A Volunteer will call to confirm the appointment and do the necessary work.

IV: VOLUNTEERS' ELIGIBILITY

Volunteers' must be 18 years of age and over and will be recruited from Town residents, PTA groups, Dad's Club, Knights of Columbus, etc. Volunteers must submit a background check (to be paid for by TOML). If selected, they will perform the work in groups of two. It is suggested they bring their own gloves and (if they have one, a cordless drill). Volunteers will be required to sign a Liability Waiver.

After Miami Lakes is out of the CONE, they will contact the residents whose home they worked at, to remove the shutters and bring out any furniture or planters that were brought indoors.

V: MARKETING

Press releases to the Miami Laker, and mentions on the Towns website and social media sites will serve as notification of the program.