

**TRIUMPH GULF COAST, INC.**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**DECEMBER 31, 2023**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors  
Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc.

### Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and the General Fund of Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc. (the Organization) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Organization's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and the General Fund of the Organization as of December 31, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### Basis for Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Organization and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

### Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinions.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Organization's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

**Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards**

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 16, 2024, on our consideration of the Organization's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Organization's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Pensacola, Florida  
May 16, 2024

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**  
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**General Information**

Management is pleased to offer the following assessment of the operations of Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc. (the Organization) for the year ended December 31, 2023.

**Financial Highlights**

The assets of the Organization exceeded its liabilities at December 31, 2023, by \$579,871,423.

**Overview of the Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the Organization's basic financial statements. The Organization's basic financial statements comprise three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

**Government-Wide Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Organization's finances in a manner similar to private-sector business. The government-wide financial statements consist of the statement of net position and the statement of activities.

The statement of net position presents information on all of the Organization's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Organization is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the Organization's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of the cash flows. Thus, revenue and expenses reported in this statement for some items will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., earned but unused vacation leave).

**Fund Financial Statements**

A fund is a grouping of related accounts used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Organization uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The Organization maintains one governmental fund, which is the General Fund.

**Governmental Funds**

Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be used in evaluating an organization's near-term financing requirements.

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**Governmental Funds – Continued**

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions.

**Notes to the Financial Statements**

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

**Government-Wide Financial Analysis**

The Organization's net position increased by \$43,965,814 during the year. At the end of the current fiscal year, the Organization is able to report a positive balance in net position. The same situation held true for the prior year. The Organization recognized revenue of \$96,800,588 in 2023. This amount includes the annual settlement payment of \$80,000,000 and interest income of \$16,800,588. Subsequent settlement payments are scheduled to be received annually through 2033. Funds disbursed increased from \$41,182,573 in 2022 to \$51,894,713 in 2023. The increase is attributed to the increase of ongoing grant projects.

**TRIUMPH GULF COAST, INC.  
STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION  
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022 (Restated)</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and prepaid items	\$ 589,392,390	\$ 544,199,482
Advance on funds disbursed	2,970,399	-
Total assets	592,362,789	544,199,482
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	32,334	39,961
Due to Florida Department of Commerce	-	1,989,233
Funds disbursed payable	12,459,032	6,264,679
Total liabilities	12,491,366	8,293,873
<b>NET POSITION</b>		
Restricted	134,069,425	155,587,170
Unrestricted	445,801,998	380,318,439
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<u>\$ 579,871,423</u>	<u>\$ 535,905,609</u>

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**TRIUMPH GULF COAST, INC.  
STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023 AND 2022**

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022 (Restated)</u>
<b>REVENUES</b>		
General revenue:		
Settlement income appropriation	\$ 80,000,000	\$ 80,000,000
Interest income	16,800,588	-
Appropriated interest for administrative costs	-	5,000,000
Total revenues	96,800,588	85,000,000
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Administrative	940,061	865,109
Funds disbursed	51,894,713	41,182,573
Total expenses	52,834,774	42,047,682
<b>CHANGE IN NET POSITION</b>	43,965,814	42,952,318
<b>NET POSITION, BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	535,905,609	492,953,291
<b>NET POSITION, END OF YEAR</b>	<u>\$ 579,871,423</u>	<u>\$ 535,905,609</u>

**Request for Information**

This report is designed to provide a general overview of Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc.'s finances for all those with an interest. Questions concerning any of the information in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed as follows:

Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc.  
4100 Legendary Drive, Suite 200  
Destin, Florida 32541



## BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**TRIUMPH GULF COAST, INC.**  
**FUND BALANCE SHEET / STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**DECEMBER 31, 2023**

<b>ASSETS</b>		
	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Governmental Activities</b>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 589,356,100	\$ 589,356,100
Advance on funds disbursed	2,970,399	2,970,399
Prepaid expenses	36,290	36,290
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 592,362,789</b>	<b>592,362,789</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 32,334	32,334
Funds disbursed payable	12,459,032	12,459,032
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>12,491,366</b>	<b>12,491,366</b>
<b>FUND BALANCE / NET POSITION</b>		
Fund balance - nonspendable	36,290	
Fund balance - restricted	134,069,425	
Fund balance - committed	204,202,716	
Fund balance - unassigned	241,562,992	
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>579,871,423</b>	
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ 592,362,789</b>	
Restricted		134,069,425
Unrestricted		445,801,998
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>		<b>\$ 579,871,423</b>

See notes to the financial statements.

**TRIUMPH GULF COAST, INC.**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND**  
**CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE/ STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023**

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
<b>REVENUES</b>		
Settlement revenue appropriation	\$ 80,000,000	\$ 80,000,000
Interest income	<u>16,800,588</u>	<u>16,800,588</u>
Total revenues	96,800,588	96,800,588
<b>EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES</b>		
Administrative and general	940,061	940,061
Funds disbursed	<u>51,894,713</u>	<u>51,894,713</u>
Total expenditures/expenses	<u>52,834,774</u>	<u>52,834,774</u>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES</b>	43,965,814	
<b>FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR, RESTATED</b>	<u>535,905,609</u>	
<b>FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR</b>	<u>\$ 579,871,423</u>	
<b>CHANGE IN NET POSITION</b>		43,965,814
<b>NET POSITION, BEGINNING OF YEAR, RESTATED</b>		<u>535,905,609</u>
<b>NET POSITION, END OF YEAR</b>		<u>\$ 579,871,423</u>

See notes to the financial statements.

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**1. DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Description of Organization**

Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc. (the Organization) was organized in 2017, as a Florida not-for-profit corporation, to oversee the expenditure of 75 percent of all funds received by the Florida Department of Commerce (FloridaCommerce), for economic damages to the state that resulted from the 2010 Deepwater Horizon oil spill. The Organization is required to administer the distribution of funds to be used for the recovery, diversification and enhancement of the eight Northwest Florida counties disproportionately affected by the oil spill. Those counties include Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa, Walton, Bay, Gulf, Franklin and Wakulla.

The Organization is governed by a seven-member Board, which is appointed by the Governor (1), the Attorney General (1), the Chief Financial Officer (1), the President of the Senate (2) and the Speaker of the House (2). Appointments and terms of office are established pursuant to Florida Statute 288.8014.

The following is a summary of the more significant accounting policies and practices of the Organization, which affect significant elements of the accompanying financial statements.

**Reporting Entity**

The accounting policies adopted by the Organization conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applied to not-for-profit organizations reporting using the governmental model. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, the financial statements of the reporting entity include those of the Organization (the primary government). There were no entities that required inclusion as a component unit within the Organization's financial statements.

**Basis of Presentation**

*Government-wide financial statements* – While separate government-wide and fund financial statements are presented, they are interrelated. The governmental activities column incorporates data from the governmental fund and reports information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the Organization. Separate financial statements are provided for the governmental fund.

*Fund financial statements* – The fund financial statements provide information about the Organization's governmental fund:

- The General Fund is established to account for resources devoted to financing the general operations of the Organization. All operating resources are recorded in the General Fund.

**Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting**

The Organization's financial statements are prepared in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, which requires the Organization to present *basic financial statements*, which are defined as follows:

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The statement of net position and the statement of activities report information using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recorded when earned, and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. These statements focus on the Organization's activities, as a whole, and report all of the assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses, and gains and losses of the entity.

The fund balance sheet and the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance report information using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or within 60 days after year-end. Expenditures are generally recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting.

GASB Statement No. 34 requires disclosure of the reconciliation adjustments, which convert the *fund financial statements* into *government-wide financial statements*. The Organization has elected to present the respective *fund financial statements* and the *government-wide financial statements* in a combined format containing the reconciliation adjustments.

#### **Assets, Liabilities and Net Position or Fund Balance**

##### **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include amounts in demand deposits, as well as investments that are readily convertible to cash. Investments purchased within three months of maturity are considered to be cash equivalents.

##### **Prepaid Items**

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both the government-wide and fund financial statements. The cost of prepaid items is recorded when consumed, rather than when purchased.

##### **Use of Estimates**

The process of preparing financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the use of estimates and assumptions regarding certain types of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. Such estimates primarily relate to unsettled transactions and events as of the date of the financial statements. Accordingly, upon settlement, actual results may differ from estimated amounts.

##### **Classification of Fund Balance**

GASB Statement No. 54 (GASB 54) establishes fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which an Organization is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources reported in governmental funds. Fund balance classifications, under GASB 54, are comprised of the following:

*Nonspendable* – includes amounts that are (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash, for example: inventories and prepaid items.

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*Restricted* – includes amounts that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by external resource providers, constitutionally or through enabling legislation. Restrictions may effectively be changed or lifted only with the consent of resource providers.

*Committed* – includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the Organization's highest level of decision-making authority. The Board of Directors is the highest level of decision-making authority for the Organization that can, by passing a motion prior to the end of the fiscal year, commit fund balance. Once adopted, the limitation imposed by the action remains in place until a similar action is taken to remove or revise the limitation.

*Assigned* – includes amounts that are intended to be used by the Organization for specific purposes, but do not meet the criteria to be classified as committed. The Board of Directors may also assign fund balance when appropriating fund balance to cover a gap between estimated revenue and appropriations in the subsequent year's appropriated budget. Unlike commitments, assignments generally only exist temporarily. In other words, an additional action does not normally have to be taken for the removal of an assignment.

*Unassigned* – includes amounts that have not been restricted, committed or assigned to specific purposes. Unassigned amounts are technically available for any purpose.

**Fund Balance/Net Position Flow Assumptions**

Sometimes, the Organization will fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted resources (the total of committed, assigned and unassigned fund balance). In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted, committed, assigned and unassigned fund balance in the governmental fund financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the Organization's policy to consider restricted fund balance to have been depleted before using any of the components of unrestricted fund balance. Further, when the components of unrestricted fund balance can be used for the same purpose, committed fund balance is depleted first, followed by assigned fund balance. Unassigned fund balance is applied last.

**Revenue Sources and Agency Transactions**

Settlement income is received by FloridaCommerce pursuant to the Deepwater Horizon settlement agreement and is recognized when received.

In 2023, legislation passed authorizing the Organization to retain interest earned on invested settlement funds from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. This interest is recognized as revenue when earned.

Prior to July 1, 2023, interest earned by the Organization on invested settlement funds is treated as an agency/custodial type transaction. There is no effect on income or expense and the interest is transferred to FloridaCommerce on a monthly basis. Current statutes require any amount of interest transferred to FloridaCommerce that remains unexpended by FloridaCommerce be appropriated back to the Organization. This "rebated" interest income is recognized when received.

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**Income Taxes**

The Organization is generally exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; therefore, no provision for income taxes has been made in the accompanying financial statements.

The Organization files income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction. Income tax returns for the past three years are subject to examination by tax authorities and may change upon examination.

The Organization has reviewed and evaluated the relevant technical merits of each of its tax positions in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for accounting for uncertainty in income taxes and determined that there are no uncertain tax positions that would have a material impact on the financial statements of the Organization.

**2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

The amount reported as cash and cash equivalents consists of cash in a demand account, money market funds and the SBA Florida PRIME investment account.

At December 31, 2023, the carrying amounts of cash and money market funds held were \$329,910. Custodial credit risk is the risk that the Organization's deposits might not be recovered. The Organization does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk; however, the Organization has not experienced any losses in its cash and money market fund accounts and believes it is not exposed to any significant risk.

Cash invested with the SBA represents the Organization's participation in Florida PRIME, which is authorized by Section 218.415(17), Florida Statutes. Florida PRIME operates under investment guidelines established by Section 215.47, Florida Statutes. The Organization's investments in Florida PRIME are reported at amortized cost. As of December 31, 2023, the balance was \$589,026,190. The fair value of the Organization's position in Florida PRIME is the same as the value of the pool shares.

Since Florida PRIME is similar to money market funds where shares are owned in the fund rather than the actual underlying investments, disclosures for foreign currency risk are not applicable. In addition, there are no security lending activities for these funds, as the Organization does not own the underlying shares. In accordance with GASB Statement 79, Florida PRIME qualifies for measuring its investments at amortized cost, and management of the pool believes that the pool is exempt from the GASB 72 fair value hierarchy disclosures. As of December 31, 2023, there were no redemption fees or maximum transaction amounts or any other requirements that serve to limit a participant's daily access to 100% of their account value.

The SBA's interpretation of GASB Statement No. 40 is that information related to credit risk and interest rate risk are applicable to the SBA accounts as noted below:

Credit Quality:

Florida PRIME is rated by Standard and Poor's and carries an AAAm rating for December 31, 2023.

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Interest Rate Risk:

The weighted average days to maturity (WAM) of Florida PRIME's investment portfolio was 35 days at December 31, 2023. A portfolio's WAM reflects the average maturity in days based on final maturity or reset date, in the case of floating rate instruments. WAM is relevant as an assessment of the sensitivity of Florida PRIME's investments to interest rate changes.

**3. RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE**

Per Florida Statute 288.8013, at least \$120,000,000 of the initial settlement appropriation must be allocated equally among the eight disproportionately affected counties. In addition, at least \$3,200,000 of the annual settlement appropriations received, beginning in 2019, must be allocated to each county. As of December 31, 2023, the Organization had a restricted fund balance of \$134,069,425.

**4. COMMITTED FUND BALANCE**

The Board has committed funds in excess of the amounts restricted. As of December 31, 2023, the Organization had a committed fund balance of \$204,202,716.

**5. FUNDS DISBURSED**

During 2023, funds were disbursed as follows:

	<b>Funds Disbursed</b>
Bay County	7,963,918
Escambia County	14,474,307
Franklin County	842,200
Gulf County	476,262
Okaloosa County	10,043,415
Santa Rosa County	7,764,576
Wakulla County	8,982,980
Walton County	1,251,055
Supplemental - award impacts multiple counties	96,000
	<u><u>\$ 51,894,713</u></u>



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**6. PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT**

**Correction of Error**

The Organization's beginning net position for governmental activities and fund balance for the general fund was restated for a correction of an error relating to the accrual of grant disbursements. The resulting effect was a decrease of governmental activities net position and fund balance of approximately \$6,264,679.

**7. SIGNIFICANT FUNDING SOURCE**

The Organization's sole source of funding is received from FloridaCommerce. A significant reduction in the level of this funding could have an adverse effect on the Organization.

**COMPLIANCE SECTION**

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL  
REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN  
AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

To the Board of Directors  
Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc.

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and the General Fund of Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc. (the Organization) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise of the Organization's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated May 16, 2024.

**Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Organization's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purposes of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency or a combination of deficiencies in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Organization's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency or a combination of deficiencies in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations during our audit, we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

### **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Organization's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

### **Purpose of This Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Organization's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Pensacola, Florida  
May 16, 2024