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## DECLARATION OF THE EXISTENCE OF A LOCAL EMERGENCY DUE TO 2024 LATE JANUARY, EARLY FEBRUARY WINTER STORMS

**WHEREAS**, Section 6-5 of the Lake County Code empowers the Director of Emergency Services to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when Lake County is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the County Board of Supervisors is not in session, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Sheriff, as Director of Emergency Services of Lake County does hereby find; that conditions of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property have arisen within the County of Lake, caused by winter storms including excessive rainfall, high winds and snow, resulting in downed trees and power lines, flooding and other serious damage across the County to public infrastructure and residential properties; which began on the 31st day of January, 2024 and; that these conditions may extend beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of Lake County, and; that the County Board of Supervisors of the County of Lake is not in session and cannot immediately be called into session;

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED** that a local emergency now exists throughout Lake County and all jurisdictions within Lake County, and;

**IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** that during the existence of said local emergency the powers, functions, and duties of the emergency organization of Lake County shall be those prescribed by state law, by ordinances, and resolutions of the County; and that this emergency proclamation shall expire 7 days after issuance unless confirmed and ratified by the Lake County Board of Supervisors.

**AND, IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED** that said local emergency shall be deemed to continue to exist until its termination is proclaimed by the Lake County Board of Supervisors.

By:   
Rob Howe  
Sheriff/Coroner/OES Director

Dated: 2-5-24