

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY IN DANE COUNTY

WHEREAS, an extremely dangerous winter storm is forecast to begin on December 22, 2022 and will continue through December 24, 2022;

WHEREAS, the storm is expected to bring heavy snowfall, bitter temperatures, potentially life-threatening wind chill values of -25 to -35 degrees Fahrenheit, and serious blizzard conditions;

WHEREAS, the winter storm has created the potential threat of frostbite, hypothermia, and hazardous travel conditions;

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service Office in Milwaukee has issued a Winter Storm Warning in effect from 6:00 PM on December 21, 2022 to 6:00 AM, December 24, 2022.

WHEREAS, the National Weather Service Office has advised against travel during the winter storm;

WHEREAS, local emergency responders from fire, law enforcement and emergency medical services need to respond as a result of the winter storm;

WHEREAS, a multi-agency, multi-jurisdictional response is necessary to undertake efforts to provide an emergency response to the public;

WHEREAS, the Department of Dane County Emergency Management recommends the issuance of a proactive declaration of emergency so that municipalities and the County are poised and ready to respond to the winter storm;

WHEREAS, a declaration of emergency based upon current weather conditions and severe weather forecasts will allow the County to promptly and fully respond to any resulting emergency conditions, and protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public;

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED, that pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 323.11, in order to protect the public peace, health and safety, preserve lives and property, economic stability, and insure cooperation and coordination, a Declaration of Local State of Emergency is imposed between 6:00 PM Thursday, December 22, 2022 to 12:00 PM Saturday, December 24, 2022;

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, that the full allocation of county resources be available to support the preparation and facilitation of the County's response to any and all emergency conditions that arise as a result of the winter storm;

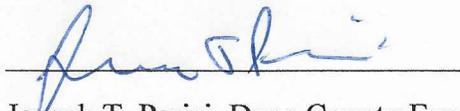
BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, that any relevant administrative ordinance or policy shall be suspended if the strict compliance to such an ordinance or policy would prevent, hinder, or delay necessary actions to provide an emergency response as a result of the winter storm;

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, that in anticipation of federal relief and reimbursement becoming available, all county departments shall track expenses related to

emergency response and recovery efforts and other public sector entities are encouraged to do the same.

BE IT FINALLY PROCLAIMED, that the Dane County Board of Supervisors shall be notified by the filing of the written declaration with the County Clerk on the first regular business day following the declaration and the County Clerk shall present the written declaration to the board of supervisors for ratification at its first meeting following such a declaration.

Dated this 22nd day of December 2022

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Paris", is written over a horizontal line.

Joseph T. Parisi, Dane County Executive