

PROCLAMATION OF EMERGENCY

BY THE AUTHORITY VESTED in me, I, Jose Grijalva, as Mayor of the City of Douglas, do hereby proclaim a state of local emergency as follows:

WHEREAS, Article II, Section 7 of the Douglas City Charter and Chapter 2.52 of the City of Douglas Code empowers the Mayor to declare an emergency by proclamation during times of riot, civil insurrection, major disaster, and times of great public danger; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) § 26-311, the undersigned Mayor of the City of Douglas has the authority to determine that a local emergency exists within the City limits of the City of Douglas due to natural or man-made calamity or disaster or by reason of threats or occurrences of riots, routs, affrays or other acts of civil disobedience which endanger life or property within the City of Douglas; and,

WHEREAS, on January 20, 2025, the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump, issued a Proclamation entitled Declaring a National Emergency at the Southern Border of the United States, which declared a National Emergency because cartels, criminal gangs, known terrorists, human traffickers, smugglers, unvetted military-age males from foreign adversaries, and illicit narcotics are coming across the southern border; and

WHEREAS, on January 20, 2025, the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump, issued a Proclamation entitled Guaranteeing the States Protection Against Invasion, which suspended entry of certain illegal immigrants into the United States across the southern border; and

WHEREAS, on January 20, 2025, the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump, issued an Executive Order entitled Protecting the American People Against Invasion, which allocates resources for detention centers and the efficient removal of illegal immigrants; and,

WHEREAS, on January 20, 2025, the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump, issued an Executive Order entitled Clarifying the Military's Role in Protecting the Territorial Integrity of the United States, which authorized the deployment of military personnel to the southern border; and

WHEREAS, the Proclamations and Executive Orders of the President of the United States authorize the deployment of military personnel and resources to the southern border to mitigate the impact of the emergency; and

WHEREAS, with the closing of the southern border, the City of Douglas will see a decrease in revenue sources from sales taxes, tourism, and other areas of commerce, and the City of Douglas will see an increase in costs to assist the federal government in carrying out these Proclamations and Executive Orders; and

WHEREAS, while there is no immediate invasion of narcotics and crime within the City of Douglas, I find it necessary and prudent to prepare for the influx of military personnel to the southern border, to take every lawful precaution available in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of Douglas's citizens, to work constructively and cooperatively with Cochise County, the surrounding cities, the State of Arizona, the United States of America, and all branches of government, as we prepare diligently to assist the federal government in protecting our borders from illegal entry while protecting our economy that is reliant on sales tax revenue coming from those crossing the border; and,

WHEREAS, with a potential loss in revenue for our government and local businesses, we respectfully request compensatory assistance from the federal government; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned Mayor has determined the crisis and threat of injury, damage, and suffering to persons or property constitutes an emergency within the meaning of Article II, Section 7 of the Douglas City Charter, Chapter 2.52 of the City of Douglas Code, and a local emergency within the meaning of A.R.S. § 26-311; and directing and permitting the City's Administrative Department to take reasonable steps to mitigate the impacts of the emergency.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Douglas to be affixed this 27th day of January 2025.





Jose Grijalva, Mayor