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The Honorable Greg Abbott Governor of Texas c/o Chief Texas Division of Emergency Management P. O. Box 4087 Austin, Texas 78773-0001

Dear Governor Abbott:

The City of Dripping Springs, Texas is facing significant threats to life, health, and property due to the ice storm and resulting conditions which began on January 30, 2023 and that has risked the damage of infrastructure including roadways, pedestrian walkways, wastewater and water infrastructure, the provision of electricity, and the provision of internet.

The potential impact of this threat is without the ability to clear the fallen or hanging limbs and other disturbed landscape and protect and preserve infrastructure and utilities, the public will be limited in travel and utilities as well as the possibility that further damage to property including homes, business, and city facilities, as well as the danger of falling tree limbs to cars and individuals, is possible.

I have determined that this incident is of such severity and magnitude that an effective response is beyond the capability of the local jurisdiction to control. Pursuant to §433.001 of the Texas Government Code, I am requesting that you issue appropriate directives to deal with the emergency; including access to equipment, assistance in clearing, and funding for cleanup.

Furthermore, I am asking that successive proclamations be issued and remain in effect until the threat of loss of life, injury, or damage to property is contained,

A timely response to this request would be appreciated.

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Mayor of the City of Dripping Springs