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## RESCISSION OF DECLARATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY FOR THE TOWN OF WARRENTON, VA

WHEREAS, on February 11th, 2025, a local state of emergency was declared for the Town of Warrenton, Virginia, effective 11:00 AM, due to the imminent threat of severe winter weather, based on National Weather Service forecasts indicating a severe winter weather threat with snow accumulations of 6 – 10 inches along with sleet, ice, freezing rain, and temperatures below freezing for several days that could cause transportation difficulties and power outages; and

WHEREAS, Winter Storm Harlow subsequently impacted the Town of Warrenton, delivering over nine inches of snow; and

WHEREAS, in response to Winter Storm Harlow and the declared state of emergency, the Office of Emergency Management activated the Town Emergency Operations Plan and implemented measures to protect public safety and ensure the continuity of essential services; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Warrenton Department of Public Works, in particular, demonstrated exceptional responsiveness and effectiveness in mitigating the hazards posed by the heavy snowfall, working diligently to clear roadways, treat icy patches, and ensure safe passage for vehicles and pedestrians; and

WHEREAS, the efforts of the Department of Public Works, along with the coordinated actions of all other Town departments, resulted in the restoration of normal traffic flow and the resumption of regular activities and work schedules for Town residents within approximately 24 hours of the storm's conclusion, minimizing disruption and demonstrating the Town's preparedness and resilience; and

WHEREAS, due to the successful response of Town departments and the return to normal conditions, the conditions that prompted the declaration of a local state of emergency no longer exist;

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED** on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025, that the local state of emergency declared for the Town of Warrenton, Virginia, on February 11th, 2025, is hereby rescinded, effective 9:00 AM.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Town of Warrenton to be affixed this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025.

Frank Cassidy

Town Manager

Date