

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE DECLARATION OF LOCAL EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on February 10th, 2025, Governor Glenn Youngkin declared a state of emergency in the Commonwealth of Virginia 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, the National Weather Service has issued a Winter Weather Warning beginning 11:00 AM Tuesday, February 11, 2025, for the Town of Warrenton, forecasting 6 – 10 inches of heavy snowfall, sleet, and ice accumulation; and

WHEREAS, the disruption in transportation routes threatens the delivery of public safety services and goods to citizens and businesses, requiring additional personnel, equipment, and personnel to be available; and

WHEREAS, on February 11, 2025, at 11:00 AM under the Code of Virginia § 44- 146.19 Powers and duties of political subdivisions, and § 44-146.21 Declaration of local emergency, a local emergency exists in the Town of Warrenton, Virginia.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY PROCLAIMED, that during the existence of said emergency, the powers, functions, and duties of the Emergency Manager and Emergency Management Coordinator of the Town of Warrenton shall be those prescribed by State law and the ordinances, resolutions, and approved plans of the Town including town code section Sec. 20-6. - *Emergency powers*, in order to mitigate the effects of said emergency, including:

- All Town of Warrenton assets are hereby ordered to be placed at the disposal of the Town Manager or Emergency Management Coordinator
- All Town regulations prescribing procedures for the conduct of Town business, if strict compliance would hinder necessary action in coping with the emergency, are hereby suspended. Suspension of such procedures shall be at the direction of the Town Manager or designee.
- All employees of the Town are hereby directed to exercise the utmost diligence in the discharge of duties required of them for the duration of the emergency and in the execution of emergency laws, regulations, and directives – state and local.
- All citizens are called upon and directed to comply with necessary emergency measures, to cooperate with public officials and emergency responders in executing emergency operations plans, and to obey and comply with the lawful directions of properly identified officials.

BE IT YET FURTHER PROCLAIMED, by the Town Council of Warrenton Virginia this day, March 11th, 2025, That the Declaration of Local Emergency made by the Town Manager on February 11th, 2025, is hereby confirmed.

ATTACHMENT: None

Votes:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent from Vote:

Absent from Meeting:

For Information:

Town Manager

Town Emergency Coordinator

ATTEST: _____
Town Recorder