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TERMINATION OF LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY FOR THE TOWN OF WARRENTON, VA

WHEREAS, the Town of Warrenton was significantly impacted by the severe weather conditions and heavy accumulation of snow associated with **Winter Storm Fern**, beginning on or about January 24, 2026; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 44-146.21 of the Code of Virginia and the Warrenton Town Code, a **Local State of Emergency** was declared on January 22, 2025, to facilitate the mobilization of resources, activate emergency response protocols, and engage private contractors for snow removal and community assistance; and

WHEREAS, the Town's Public Works Department, in coordination with private vendors and community partners, has successfully completed the clearing of primary roadways, neighborhood streets, and critical pedestrian facilities along main arterial snow emergency routes; and

WHEREAS, municipal services, including refuse and recycling collection, have returned to their normal schedules, and the immediate threat to public safety and property posed by the storm has been sufficiently mitigated; and

WHEREAS, the Coordinator of Emergency Management and Town staff have determined that the Town has entered the final stages of operational recovery and administrative reconciliation, and the extraordinary powers granted under the declaration are no longer required to maintain public order and safety.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Manager of Warrenton, Virginia, this 4th day of February 2026, that:

1. **Termination of Emergency:** The Local State of Emergency declared in response to Winter Storm Fern is hereby **terminated**, effective today, **February 4, 2026, at 4:00 PM**.
2. **Transition to Normal Operations:** All emergency response plans and special authorities activated under said declaration are deactivated, and Town operations shall return to standard administrative protocols.
3. **Ongoing Recovery:** The termination of this declaration shall not affect the ongoing internal data review, cost reconciliation, or the completion of the After-Action Review (AAR) processes currently underway.

ADOPTED this 4th day of February 2026.


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Date